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OBSTACLE OF COLONIAL POLICY OVERCOME

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Rome, Jan. 6.
It is authoritatively stated that Signor Mussolini of Italy and M. Laval of France have agreed upon the terms of a general consultative pact, which will be open to signature by other nations. The terms of the Pact, which includes an agreement for the preservation of Austria's independence, have already been forwarded to London and Berlin.

The conversations lasted from 10 until one o'clock, and the Austrian independence question was definitely settled, semi-official sources state. However, differences still exist between the two nations respecting Franco-Italian colonial relations. It is hoped that these will be smoothed out to-morrow.—United Press and Reuter.

Rome, Jan. 7.
A Franco-Italian agreement has been reached in principle and the conversations between Signor Mussolini and M. Laval ended at 12.30 a.m. Monday. It is expected the agreement will be initiated this afternoon.—United Press.

COMPLETE AGREEMENT

Rome, Jan. 7.
A complete agreement on all questions discussed at the meeting of Signor Mussolini and M. Laval yesterday and early to-day, including those encountered in colonial policy spheres, was reached early this morning.
"We shall sign to-morrow," said M. Laval after the meeting.
The statement met at the French Embassy, where the French Ambassador gave a reception yesterday evening.—Reuter.

FOUR DOCUMENTS

Paris, Jan. 6.
The four documents embodying the texts of agreements to be reached at Rome and to be signed by M. Laval and Signor Mussolini to-morrow, comprise the following:
1. A statement recording the identity of the Franco-Italian views on their principal problems and general policy;
2. A joint recommendation to neighbouring and the succession states of the old Austro-Hungarian monarchy to conclude a convention to respect the frontiers as they exist and to agree not to intervene in Austrian affairs;
3. A consultative pact in which France and Italy undertake to consult together if the independence of Austria is threatened (Germany, Hungary, Czechoslovakia, Yugoslavia, Poland and Rumania are invited to join in this pact);
4. A convention regulating colonial problems in Northern Africa.

PUBLICATION DELAYED

It is expected that only the first document will be published immediately and the others will be issued later, possibly with protocols harmonising the attitudes of France and Italy with regard to certain special problems of foreign policy.—Reuter.

EARLIER OBSTACLES

Rome, Jan. 6.
A sharp struggle is progressing between Signor Mussolini and M. Laval over the cession of African territory to Italy.
The two statesmen met for three hours yesterday and for two to-day and wrestled amicably, but determinedly, supported by their African experts.
Italy's claims are based upon the promise of African concessions given to Italy by Britain and France when Italy entered the War in 1915.
The colonial questions are divided under four headings:
1. For how many generations are Italians in Tunisia entitled to retain their nationality;
2. With regard to the territory south of Italian Libya, the Italians want land south of Tripoli, but the French propose

AUSTRIAN PLOTTERS ARRESTED

ATTEMPT TO SLAY VON STARHEMBERG

INNOCENT VICTIM

(Special to "Telegraph")

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Vienna, Jan. 6.

The capital has been startled by an abortive attempt upon the life of Prince von Starhemberg, the vice-Chancellor and leader of the Heimwehr.

Two Communists were arrested near Aspern aerodrome to-day after they had fired on an open car in which they believed Prince von Starhemberg was riding. They confessed that they had attempted to kill the young patriot.

The two men lay in ambush at noon, when the big, powerful touring car swept out of the aerodrome, with one officer riding in the back seat, the hidden gunmen opened fire. Their shots took effect.

The car's passenger was a Heimwehr officer named Sella, and his wounds are serious. But Prince Starhemberg had not driven in the car that day. Ordinarily, it was his habit to travel by the aerodrome and on business in Vienna.—United Press.

Speeding Mails To Europe

MOSCOW'S AIR LINK WITH VLADIVOSTOK

Tientsin, Jan. 6.

A message from Vladivostok states that a regular air mail service between Moscow and Vladivostok has been inaugurated and as its inauguration is coincident with the resumption of Chinese postal service to Manchuria it will afford better facilities for the transmission of Europe-bound mail from China, via Siberia.

The Chinese postal authorities announced in the meantime that they have no intention of abolishing the existing postal route to Sinkiang Province—the Sinkiang-Suiyuen Highway—despite the availability of the Siberian route consequent upon the resumption of the Chinese postal service to Manchuria, because it is felt that the Sinkiang-Suiyuen route is more economical in time and in transport charges.—Central News.

CONFUSING COURSE OF RECOVERY

PROFESSOR FISHER'S CRITICISM

Cleveland, Jan. 6.

Professor Irving Fisher, in an address delivered here to-day, declared that the monetary policies of the Roosevelt Administration are working but that the National Recovery Administration and the Agricultural Adjustment Administration, and other agencies of the federal government are making more complex the problems that must be solved before economic recovery can be achieved.—United Press.

ITALIAN AMBASSADOR

Shanghai, Jan. 7.

Signor Lojaceca Vincenzo, the first Italian Ambassador to China, is arriving here to-day on board the S.S. Conte Rosso. A Chinese official delegation has been sent here by the Nanking Foreign Office to extend a welcome to him.—Central News.



Dr. Hu Shih, noted Chinese philosopher and Dean of the Faculty of Fine Arts at the Peking University, who is to-day having conferred on him the LL.D. degree by the University of Hongkong. (Photo: Far Eastern Pictorial Correspondents).

U.S. Considers Joining Hague World Court

CONFERENCE AT WHITE HOUSE

POLICY STILL UNCERTAIN

Washington, Jan. 6.

A three-hour conference, on the question of America's adherence to the World Court at The Hague, was held at the White House to-day between President Roosevelt, Mr. Aayre, Assistant Secretary of State, Senator Pittman and other Senate leaders.

Subsequently, Senator Robinson, of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, predicted that the Committee would take up the resolution for adherence to the Court on Wednesday and would

MINERS BURIED BY BLAST

Frantic Efforts At Rescue

Belgrade, Jan. 6.

Five persons were killed and one seriously injured when an enormous block of lead-zinc ore crashed down upon men who had sheltered from a near-by blast in the Mitrovitz mines.

It is feared others are injured or imprisoned and rescuers are digging into the debris in the shafts at frantic speed.—Reuter Special.

S'hai Market More Active

GOLD BAR EXPORTS REPORT DENIED

(Special to "Telegraph")

Shanghai, Jan. 7.

The Foreign Exchange Market here is much more active to-day than on Saturday.
Local currency was easy at the opening, owing to reports that the Central Bank of China had exported 5,000 gold bars. These reports, which were published in Japanese morning newspapers here to-day, were denied by the authorities.—United Press.

NO DEATHS IN WRECK OF HAVANA

PASSENGERS PICKED UP

MASTER STILL ON SHIP

(Special to "Telegraph")

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Washington, Jan. 6.

The master of the Ward liner Havana, hard ashore on Mantilla Shoals, off Jupiter, Florida, is remaining aboard his vessel but all passengers have been disembarked in life-boats and picked up by rescue ships which hurried to the scene.

A radio message from the wrecked ship, of the same line as the ill-fated Morro Castle which burned with terrible loss of life off the New Jersey coast some months ago, states that all passengers are safe. There were 61 aboard, and a crew of 126.

The steamship El Oceano picked up the passengers and crew of four life-boats.

HEAVY SEAS

An earlier message said that a portion of the passengers of the Havana were still aboard, while others had been safely taken into the ship's boats.

These boats were pulling for shelter through a heavy sea and a strong easterly wind, it was revealed, but there was no particular apprehension for their safety. Rescue ships were nearing the scene of the wreck.—United Press.

Plane Delayed By Weather

FORCED TO RETURN TO SHANGHAI

Shanghai, Jan. 7.

A Canton-bound passenger plane belonging to the Chinese National Aviation Corporation was held up at Wenchow yesterday morning due to bad weather. She returned to Shanghai the same afternoon.

It transpires that the plane carried a party of Shanghai Chinese and foreign journalists, who intended to undertake a sight-seeing tour of the South-eastern China ports, with Canton as their final destination.

In anticipation of their arrival yesterday, Canton press circles, as well as the Municipal authorities, had prepared a cordial reception.—Central News.

U.S. CREDIT INFLATION

IMPETUS GIVEN BY HEAVY SPENDING

Washington, Jan. 6.

Credit inflation will be given additional impetus by this Congress through big spendings and an unbalanced budget.

Currency inflation is unlikely. The effects of inflation in higher commodity prices and stimulated business activity will not be conspicuously in evidence before 1936.

The President's insistence on the strict regulation of public utility holding companies makes for a poor profit outlook. A compromise Bonus Bill is likely to pass. It will not be paid in greenbacks.

We expect the enactment of Federal regulation on all main transport facilities which will be mildly helpful to the railroads. We expect no inflationary Government central bank legislation.

Many bills will be introduced in Congress which are unlikely to pass the committee stage. Business improvement in 1935 will be very moderate. It should be slightly better than 1934.—Swan, Culbertson and Frits.

JAPAN'S SEIZURE OF MANCHURIA

NATIONS HAVE LOST RIGHT TO CRITICISE

MANCHUKUO SHOULD BE RECOGNISED

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Washington, Jan. 6.

Mr. Hamilton Fish, Republican Representative in Congress, interviewed to-day, declared that the problem of naval ratios could be amicably settled without more ado if the nations concerned desired an agreement.

Personally, he said, he favoured recognition of Manchukuo's independence by the nations of the world.

He was aware that Japanese industrial rivalry had upset the world's trade equilibrium, and he was therefore anxious to safeguard American export markets, particularly in the Far East where the demand for textiles had been a means of profit in the past.

SOUND FINANCE FIRST

ROOSEVELT'S PROGRAMME

Washington, Jan. 6.

It is generally agreed as President Roosevelt's programme takes shape, that it is apparent he proposes to introduce very little in the form of any new or startling legislation. Main emphasis is laid upon his desire for sound financing, and for efforts to be made to avoid increased taxation.

The House Leaders are endeavouring to speed up the legislative machinery in response to the President's expressed desire for a short session of Congress. Therefore the plan to draw up an Independent Offices Bill will be dealt with early this week, in an effort to dispose of departmental appropriations as soon as possible, and to clear the way for all impending legislation, including revision of the existing Monetary Bill and of the National Recovery Administration as well as the readjustment of taxes.

From a poll taken among the Ways and Means Committee it is indicated that the Bonus Bill will be reported upon favourably despite the fact that the President has indicated his opposition.—United Press.

ALARM IN KWEICHOW

RED ADVANCE WORRIES BANKS

Shanghai, Jan. 7.

There is a panic among the Kweichow bankers over the unprecedented depreciation of the Kweichow provincial bank notes.

Prominent Kweichow merchants are appealing to the Nanking Government to send further troops from Hunan and Kwangsi to check the Communist advance on Kweichow, the capital of Kweichow.

Owing to the proximity of the Communists to the Kweichow capital considerable apprehension prevails in banking circles at Kweichow, where Government bonds dropped heavily with a corresponding gain in premium of Shanghai paper currency.

From Chungking comes the report that a similar condition prevails in Szechuan where the authorities estimate that there are 600,000 destitute in the Communist devastated areas. Merchants at Chungking have appropriated \$240,000 for relief, and are appealing to the Nanking Finance Ministry for more contributions.

Residents in Hongkong will learn with regret of the decision of the naval authorities not to hold Navy Day celebrations in the Colony this year. A Telegraph representative was informed this morning that the naval authorities had given the matter very consideration before reaching their decision.

It will be recalled that the celebrations had to be postponed from October 21 (Trafalgar Day) owing to that day clashing with the dates fixed for the Military Tattoo, and it was tentatively decided that Navy Day be held some time in January. The naval authorities have now seen fit to abandon the idea for this year and the question whether such celebrations shall be held in the future is subject to further consideration.

ONE FORM OF INFLATION

U.S. GOVERNMENT BOND ISSUES

New York, Jan. 6.

Financial observers here point out that the sharp gain in bank deposits in 1934 resulted not only from depositors continuing to keep funds in banks instead of investing them, because of lack of confidence in business, but also reflected the number of government and municipal bond issues floated during the year. These issues, it is pointed out, build up tremendous credit resources and are one form of inflation.—United Press.

NO NAVY DAY CELEBRATIONS

DISAPPOINTMENT FOR HONGKONG

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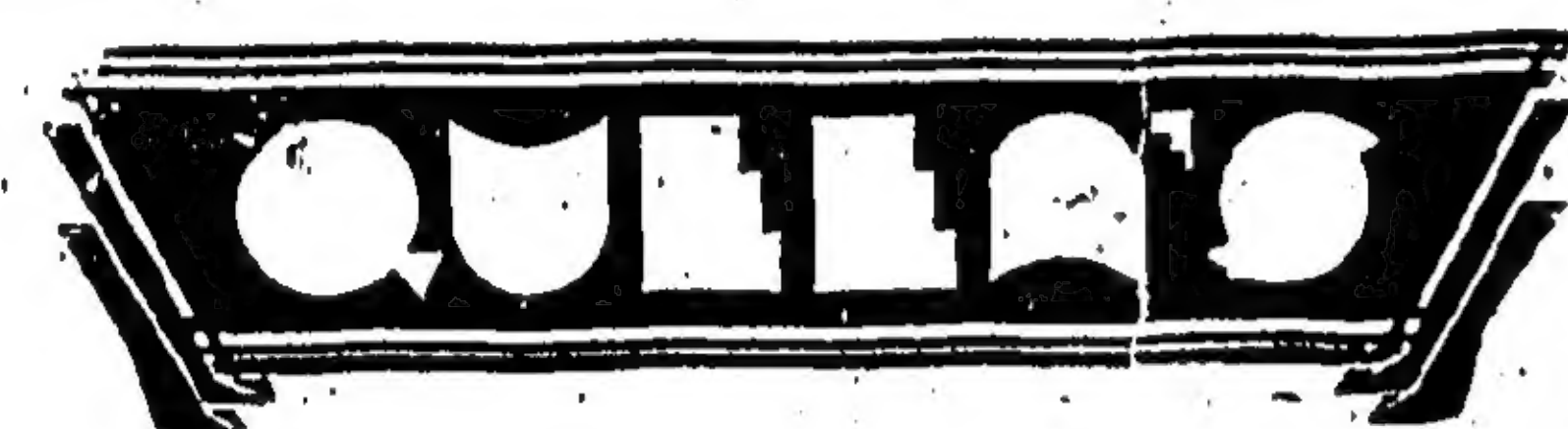
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FILMLAND NEWS

Lee of British
Song-Writer

"G.B." VENTURE

For some years the project of a film centering on the late Leale Stuart has been afoot in several directions, and in more than one instance has reached preparation and research stage.

Musical copyright difficulties have now finally been smoothed out and Gaumont British have now acquired the cream of the famous numbers.

An original story, with Stuart as the central character, is now well advanced, and the casting is already being considered. Robert Donat, lately in Hollywood in "The Count of Monte Cristo," may play the role of Leale Stuart.

The director will be Jack Raymond, by arrangement with British and Dominions.

Leale Stuart was the writer of such famous songs as "Soldiers of the Queen," and "Lily of Laguna."

TRADE FOLLOWS THE FILM

Films with a world-wide appeal are the best salesmen any country can possess, declares Arthur Kelly, vice-president of the United Artists Corporation, who has returned to America after a tour which has included Europe, India, Australia, New Zealand, China and Japan.

He asserts that American manufacturers and exporters owe Hollywood a debt of gratitude "for opening up, again and again, new markets for their goods. It is impossible to over-estimate the influence of films in stimulating international trade."

Business representatives abroad of American firms assured him that, as more people see a popular film in a week than can be reached by 1000 salesmen in a year, the result is an eager demand for goods from the country in which the film was produced.

FILMING THE "SUPER-CONSCIOUS"

Meher Baba, the Indian spiritual leader who claims to be the next Messiah, and who is observing a vow of seven years' silence, is to supervise the making of a talking film in America. He left Bombay recently in the liner Tuscania for the United States.

His personal experience, during a "Communion with God," which he claims to have had "while in a state of super-consciousness," will be featured in the film, which, under the title "How it Happened," will portray the past, present, and future of mankind.

Meher Baba will not act in the film himself, but will supervise its production. British and American actors will compose the cast, with the assistance of a few Indian actors.

The self-styled Messiah's declared mission is to break down all divisions of religions, Churches, and creeds, merging all into a common religion of love.

ROTHA'S UNUSUAL FILM

A film of considerable topical interest is showing at Home just now. This is "Contact," a description of Imperial Airways, with particular reference to the routes to South Africa and India.

The film was directed by Paul Rotha, a writer who has made an important contribution to film criticism and is the author of such books as "The Film Till Now" and "Celluloid." "Contact" is his first major work as a film director, though he had previously directed several poster films. He has since directed "Rising Tide," an account of the Southampton Dock, and spent some months in Scotland

HIGH NECKS

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"Muffling the Neck." "Not a quarter of the women who dine and dance at restaurants or at the homes of their friends display anything in the way of throat and shoulders now." This dinner gown of black crepe satin shows how the neck is covered by a ruffle, and the arms, right to the wrists, by sleeves.

WASHING GLOVES

CHAMMOIS leather gloves are better washed in warm, soapy water, and the addition of olive oil softens them. A piece of orange peel in the water retains the colour of yellow gloves. Hogshead gloves are washed, as chammois leather, but leave out the oil. Rub them over with a soft cloth when they are perfectly dry to give them a slight gloss.

this summer shooting material for a new film on electricity.

Describing his journey on the two great Empire routes to India and to South Africa, Rotha wrote that it was completed on ordinary service machines running to normal schedules. "No special facilities for camera-work were available. No automatic cameras were tied to the under-carriage. Opportunities had to be seized as they occurred. The twenty-two thousand miles were completed in twelve weeks and two days—one day over schedule, which in itself is a justification for the making of the film."

Full advantage is taken in the film of the opportunities of obtaining bird's-eye views, and the route unfolds strikingly from new approaches. There are also several ground sequences in Africa during which the camera looks up at the aeroplane soaring overhead, passing old barriers of sea and mountain and taking continents in its stride. The general aim of the film is to give an impression of a world united by a network of airways.

One Party Government Continues

CHINA MUST PUT HOUSE IN ORDER

LONG-DELAYED REFORMS

Nanking, Dec. 26.

Postponement for a second time of the Nationalist Party Congress which was to have held at the capital during November not only delays the end of the one-party system but also the establishment of a permanent form of government for the Republic of China.

Five years ago the Kuomintang set 1935 as the year in which it would terminate its period of political tutelage and give to the people a constitution guaranteeing to them the political rights and privileges enjoyed by citizens of the democratic nations of the Occident. The Fourth Kuomintang Congress was held in 1931. According to party regulations, the next general congress should have been convened in 1933. But uncertainties in both the internal and foreign political situation prompted a year's postponement. General expectations were disappointed a few weeks before the scheduled opening date in November by the announcement that the congress would not sit until the completion of the anti-Communist campaign in central China. The official explanation for the postponement failed to give the real reason; the failure of the Nanking Party headquarters to secure the effective participation of the southern Kuomintang faction which would assure the co-operation essential for the execution of decisions of the congress.

LONG DELAY

The fifth plenary session of the Kuomintang Central Executive Committee, which concluded its deliberations at Nanking on December 14, set November 12, 1935, as the date for the opening of the Fifth Congress. Hence, the draft constitution which must receive the approval of a party congress before being submitted to a national peoples' convention cannot receive approval before the end of 1935, and the elaborate and difficult preparations for the constitutional convention are unlikely to be completed before the spring of 1936.

In its present form, the draft constitution guarantees to the people of China freedom of speech, religious worship, political organization and social practice under a centralized government headed by a president, whose powers would be broader than those exercised by the chief executive of the United States of America in times of emergency.

For more than seven years the Kuomintang has exercised its self-given right of caring for China's political needs. That the party is going to be willing to relinquish this sole rights of political organization by 1936 and become one of several parties now appears unlikely. Before this important step can be taken, the Kuomintang must put its own house in order, and bring together leaders and factions whose animosities have at times plunged the nation into civil war. Until this can be accomplished government of and by one faction of the Kuomintang will continue. United Press.

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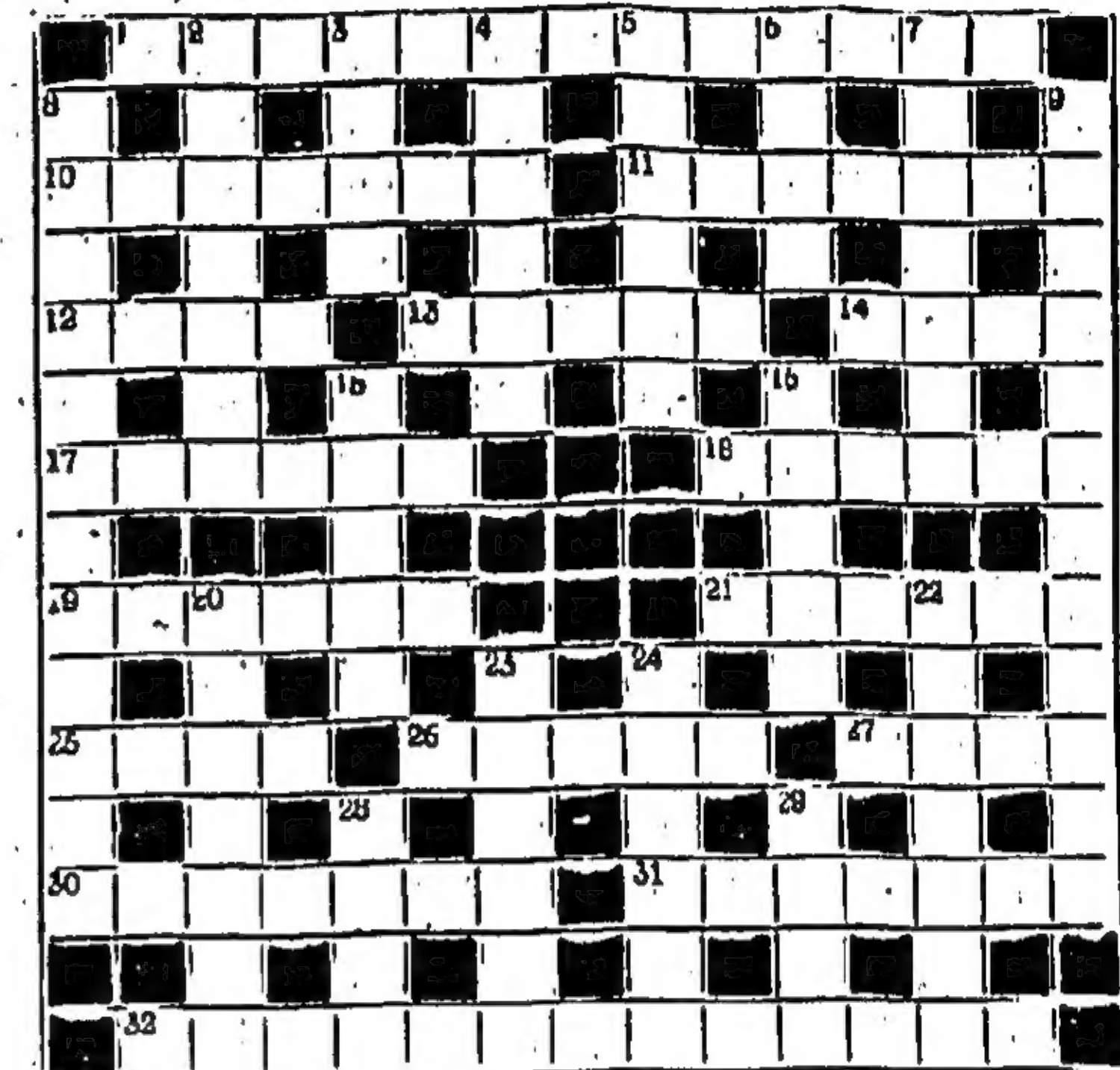
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- 11 Run's not to be considered as a panacea.
- 12 A tonic that often has a smoothing effect.
- 13 The complaint about the beast is that it is poisonous.
- 14 Rock hidden in the Villa Vauvenargues.
- 17 The foreigners who took part in Somali enslavement.
- 18 Five to one.
- 19 Made in a debate, but one who who does is rude.
- 21 More than a note, to exaggerate slightly.
- 25 What is quite a short distance in Winchelsea.
- 26 Gives many a blow at a Board meeting.
- 27 Acetone.
- 30 Oil test (anag.).
- 31 This ship is never in dry dock.
- 32 Showing the absurdity of sense without a nose.

Down

- 2 The charm of this place in Africa is—African.
- 3 Denotes the ownership that excludes outsiders.
- 4 Mother and son both doing—justice to the fruit.
- 5 May be removed—in lots, if you like.
- 6 River of no use in England.

- 7 Not in Indian file after two.
- 8 After this month has been cut short I'm nearly all detail (two words).
- 9 Don't get excited, "in a pastime—no" out of place (anag.).
- 10 If one wishes to be correct, one is.
- 16 Riddle.
- 20 List.
- 22 Ornamental interior church fitting, with crimson centre.
- 23 Subject.
- 24 Emboss (anag.).
- 25 Sound consideration given by a hungry cat.
- 29 Sculpted.

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Y.M.C.A. DEBATE

"THE FUTURE PROSPERITY OF HONGKONG"

The Y.M.C.A. Literary and Debating Society has chosen a serious but fascinating and topical subject for a debate, the first of the New Year, which will be held on Wednesday, January 9. The motion to be put before the meeting is "That the future prosperity of Hongkong depends upon its industrial development rather than upon its entrepot trade." Two very able speakers have promised to take leading parts in this debate. Mr. A. R. Brown will propose the motion, and Mr. W. L. Handyside will lead the opposition.

There is plenty of incentive for a record attendance in the West Lounge. Lady members and friends of members are cordially invited to be present.

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By Major C. C. Turner

In the year just ended the Royal Air Force has flown about 47,000,000 miles. Half-way to the sun! A hundred times to the moon and back!

Yet there have been fewer serious accidents in the Service than in any year since the War. So far this year there have been 20 fatal accidents, resulting in 31 deaths, of pilots and others engaged in duty flying, including the Fleet Air arm, but not including an accident to R.A.F. officers on a civil machine hired out for private flying.

Parachutes have played an important part in saving life. Since they became standard equipment in 1920 they have saved at least 123 lives in the Air Force. The last two years are here compared:

1933, 7 saved in 6 accidents, (one other died from injuries in the fall); 1934, 14 saved in 7 accidents, (including 4 lives and 3 lives saved in single accidents).

Last year the Air Force flew about 45,000,000 miles; and there were 39 fatal accidents, in which 54 lives were lost. On inquiry at the Air Ministry it was learned that the decreased number this year has been accompanied by an exceptionally good record as regards accidents non-fatal, but resulting in personal injuries.

The decrease, as compared with 1933, is not, however, in quite the same proportion. The figures are not available. It is rightly pointed out that a two-yearly average, rather than a year by year one, should be taken. On that basis 1933 and 1934 stand out as the best years on record.

FRANCE'S FIGURES

The French Air Forces, with twice the number of aeroplanes, flew last year not more than 38,000,000 miles. The casualties included 45 deaths.

The British Air Force mileage in 1921 was probably not more than 6,000,000, and in 1930 it was about 20,000,000. The mileage is based on hours flown, speeds, and other data. It is not an official figure, but is a close, restrained estimate.

The continuous process of re-equipment steadily increases the average speed of the Air Force. Moreover, the year's remarkably good record as regards accidents is the more striking in view of the increased flying in air exercises and manoeuvres under conditions approximating to active service.

In last year's total one accident is included in which an Air Force and a civil machine were involved. This accident, therefore, is also included in the list of civil flying accidents.

The reduction in the casualty rate is very striking when examined on the time basis. In 1921 there was one death in every 2,238 hours flown, in 1930 one

WALTZING INTO POPULARITY

Is your dancing of the 1933 or earlier vintage? Then here's your chance to modernize your steps. Arthur Murray tells how to do the latest tricks in waltzing. It's the first of a series of six illustrated articles by the famous dance-master-to-celebrities.

BY ARTHUR MURRAY

New York.—If you want to be up to the minute, learn to waltz. The revival of old-time fashions in dress and a return to more genteel mannerisms have popularized this most charming of all dance steps and you may be sure there'll be a lot of waltz music played at holiday parties and balls this year.

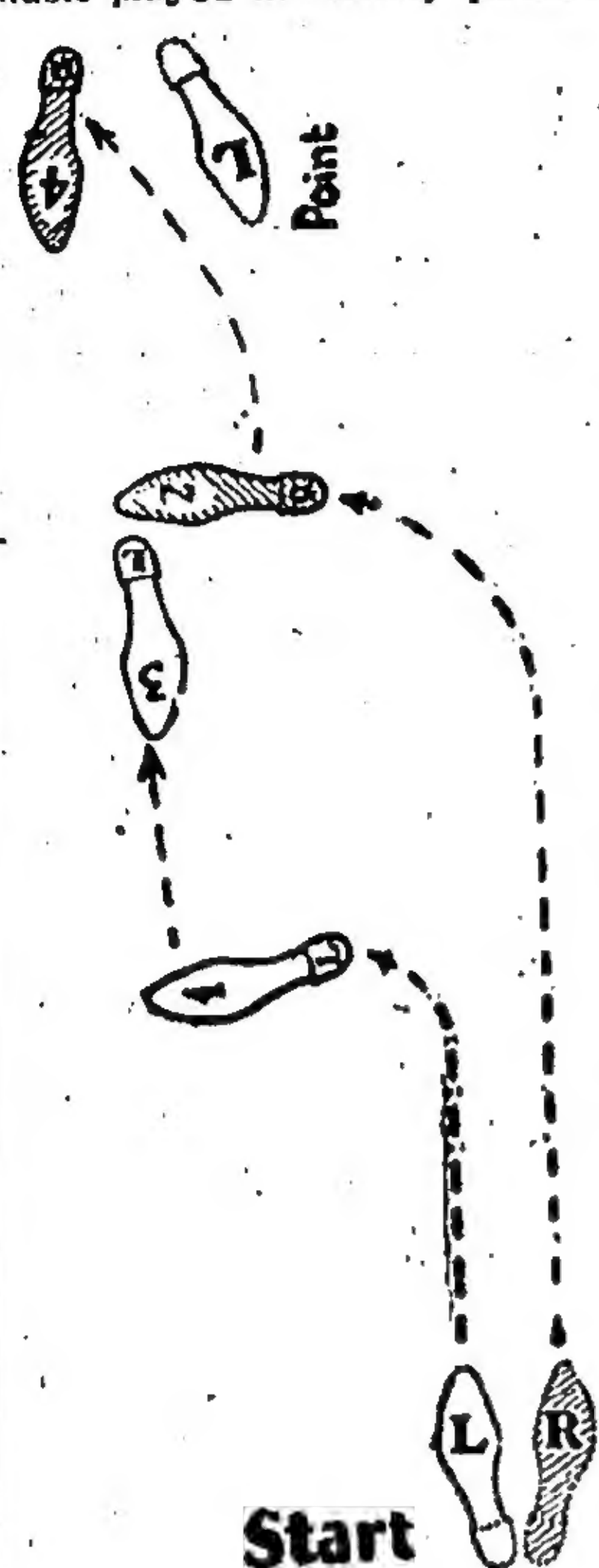


Diagram of debutante waltz, step by step.

As a matter of fact, nothing is more beautiful than the old-fashioned waltz. To master its rhythm is to become infinitely more graceful and to get into the spirit of dancing which, after all, is important. The best dancers are the ones who love to dance. Never forget that.

For those who have learned the fundamental waltz step, there is a fun-to-do variation that I am teaching my pupils right now. Appropriately called the "Debutante Waltz," because it is youthful and rather whimsical, this dance is easy to learn.

The feature of the Debutante Waltz is the swaying of the body in the direction in which you point your foot on the hesitation step.

Start by stepping directly side-ward to the left, balancing the weight on the left foot for three counts, meanwhile pointing the right foot as shown in the photograph. Then reverse, stepping to the side with the right foot for three counts, pointing the left one. Now follow the diagram.

Remember that you take a left waltz turn of three steps, and on the fourth count you step back on the right foot, holding your weight on it for three full beats. Point the left foot as you do it and let your head away toward the left.



Maurice and Cordoba show how the hesitation is executed in the debutante waltz. The gentleman steps back with the right foot, and pauses for three full beats.

death for every 9,000 hours, and this year one death in 12,100 hours.

The following table shows the figures of fatal accidents during the past 14 years:

	No. of Fatal	Deaths.
	squads, accids.	
1921	33	37
1922	32	51
1923	42½	46
1924	52	72
1925	54	58
1926	61	86
1927	63	57
1928	69	76
1929	75	42
1930	82	66
1931	85	75
1932	88	46
1933	88½	54
1934	93	31

CIVIL FLYING

The proportional casualties in civil flying cannot be shown until reports are complete as to the amount of flying done. It will probably be found that this has increased by 100 per cent., or more, during the year, for not only has Imperial Airways greatly increased its operational activities, but there are also to be taken into account: The growth of inland air lines;

A great increase in air taxi and special charter work; and A steady, but slow, increase in the number of private aeroplane owners.

The record for the past eight years is:

	Fatal accids.	Deaths.
1927	6	9
1928	13	19
1929	12	33
1930	13	27
1931	12	15
1932	13	17
1933	18	47
1934	24	43

The loss of a French air liner in the Channel, and the collision of a French air liner

with an obstruction on Croydon aerodrome, are not included; nor does the list include two fatal gliding accidents. Three fatal accidents in travelling flying "circuses" are included, and one to a pilot below the permissible age for flying.

UNNECESSARY RISKS

Examination of the causes of the accidents shows very clearly that all of them could, theoretically, have been avoided, and that many of them could very easily have been avoided. Human error and the

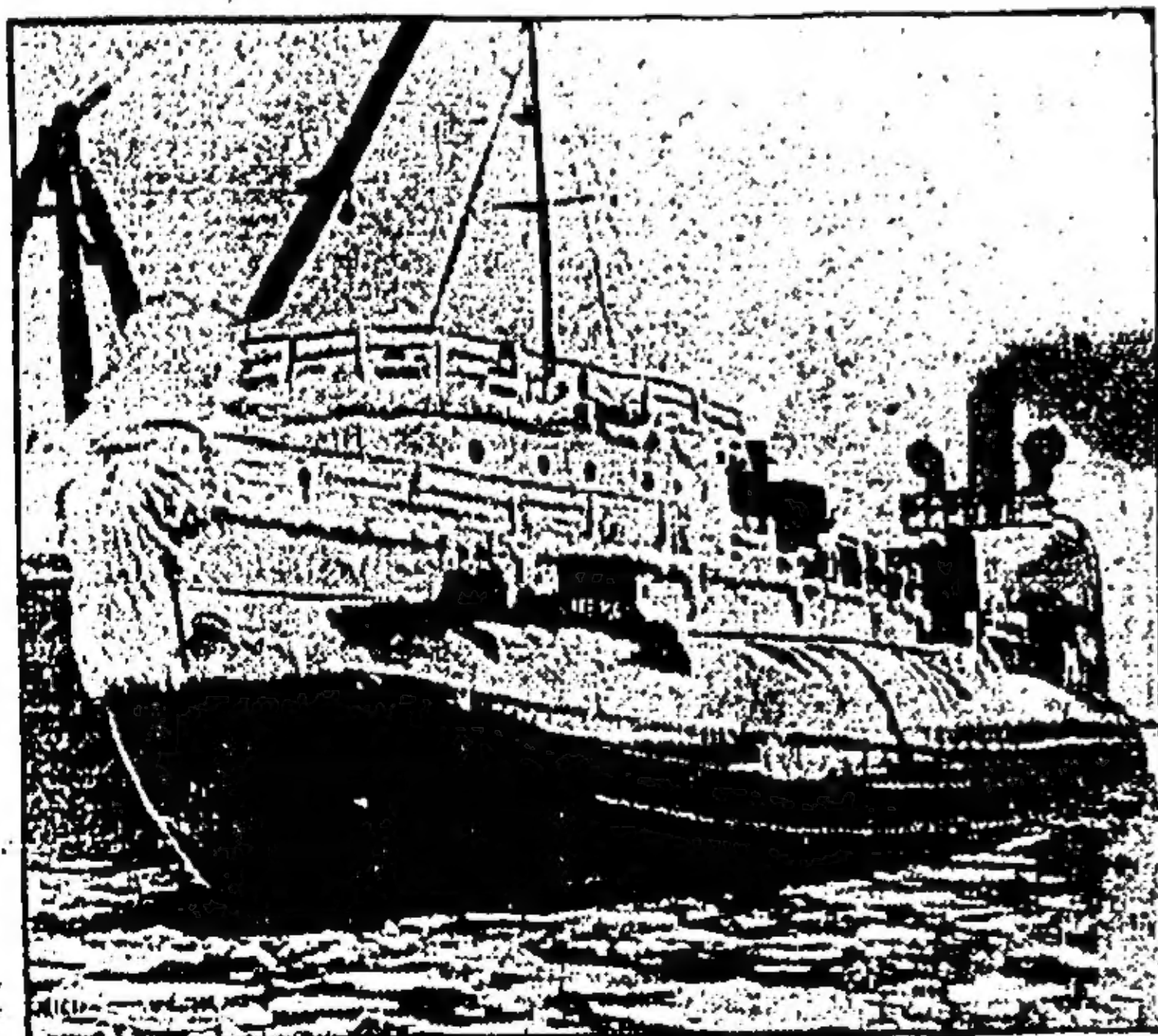
taking of unnecessary and inexcusable risks are the principal causes, as in the vast majority of road accidents.

Regulations, supervision and medical tests are attending factors, but there appears to be a need for tests which would eliminate pilots who, although skilful, are temperamentally disposed on occasion to be indiscreet.

On the walls of some of the flying clubs is seen the excellent reminder: "It is better to be an old pilot than the best pilot."



Chess champions of Harbin and Shanghai were matched at the Russian Chess Club, Shanghai recently, when the local master, D. V. Poliakoff, conquered L. K. Trofimoff, the visiting player. A large crowd of members watched a lively contest.



Wrecked in the worst blizzard on the Great Lakes since 1929, the Henry Cort, 2394-ton whaleback freighter, was beached, a gaping hole in her bow, in Muskegon, Mich., harbour, after one man had died in a rescue attempt and the crew of 25 narrowly escaped death in the storm lashed waters of Lake Michigan. The Cort, ice-sheathed, is shown here as she appeared after a late-season trip to Milwaukee.



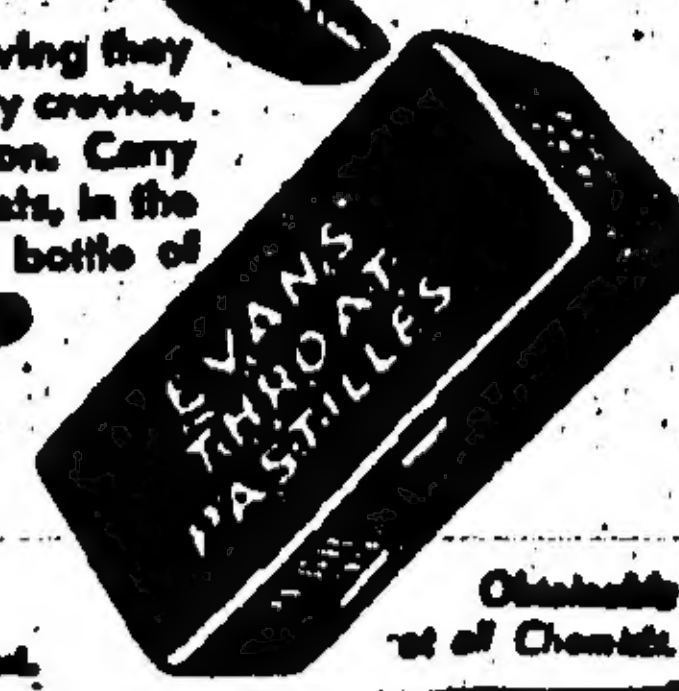
Grim evidence of the war being waged in Mexico against the Roman Catholic church is given in this picture, taken in a village in Chiapas state, where the campaign is most relentless. Twenty Indians were shot down in front of their church in Huixtla alone and scores of others were victims in other towns. Here the mob in a parade to the execution plaza carries images, relics and religious ornaments, including a large crucifix, shown at right, from a pillaged church, to be burned.

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ANNUAL AGRICULTURAL SHOW HELD IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

STANDARD OF EXHIBITS IMPROVED

A wealth of exhibits was in the annual New Territories Agricultural Show, held at Shek Wu Hui during the week-end, the eighth in the history of the New Territories Agricultural Association. There were approximately 5,000 exhibits, as against the 3,100 of last year, and collectively they represented a considerable advancement, both as to quality and quantity, in ideas of agriculture amongst the peasant folk of the New Territories.

The two-day Show was opened by the Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall.

As before, this year's Agricultural Show was organized by a very large Committee, representative of public-spirited members of the community, the Government, organizations and firms interested in the development of the New Territories, and also the Chinese gentry and village elders of the mainland, whose allotted task is the important one of interesting farmers and peasants in the work of the Association. The preliminary work entailed by the large area covered is appreciated, and the successful culmination reflects the highest credit on the members, including Messrs. C. Tetzel and Ng Sing-chi, the Hon. English and Chinese Secretaries.

Judging of the exhibits was performed by Dr. G. A. C. Herklotz, and Messrs. F. W. Stapleton, J. J. Whyte, H. Green, Andrew Tai, Leung Tak, J. L. McPherson, Lam Hing-wan, Tang Chuk-bun, and J. Russell.

Chinese theatricals kept hundreds of country folk entertained on the opening day on Saturday, and lectures to farmers and timely talks on public health were given the following day. The Show closed yesterday afternoon, when the prizes for successful exhibitors were presented by Mr. T. Megarry, District Officer (North). Visitors noticed on the first day were Lady Ho Tung and Miss Ho Tung, the Hon. Mr. J. P. Bragg, Mr. W. E. Schofield, Mr. J. T. Bagram, Mr. Ng Wah, Mr. and Mrs. Fung Ki-chook, Mrs. R. H. Wells, wife of the Chairman of the New Territories Agricultural Association. In addition to numerous members of the Association.

Mr. Wells' Speech

Formal proceedings in connection with the opening ceremony commenced with an address by the Chairman of the Association, the Rev. Mr. H. R. Wells. Mr. Wells touched briefly on the work of the Association and the gratifying results seen in the exhibits, which were far ahead, both in quality and quantity, of last year. He also mentioned that the Government had kindly granted the Association land for experimental purposes, which would be taken in hand early this year.

After adding a few words on the increasing supply of poultry, pigs and other animals to the markets of Hongkong, he asked Dr. Kotewall to declare the Show open and to present to Mr. Chan Kam-po a check in recognition of his splendid work in collecting last year, the greatest individual amount of subscriptions to the funds of the Association.

Mr. Kotewall's Reply

In declaring the Show Open, the Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall, speaking in Cantonese, replied as follows:

"I count it a great honour to have been asked to open this, the eighth Annual Show of New Territories agricultural products. I have always regarded the work of the Agricultural Association as of the utmost importance to the Colony; and the invitation to perform this ceremony to-day is to me, a gratifying evidence that my interest in that work is not unknown to some of its members. Ever since the opening of the first Show, at which I had the pleasure of translating Sir Cecil Clementi's speech into Chinese, I have watched with ever-increasing interest and sympathy the steady progress made each year.

"You all know that, as things are, the Colony has to import the great bulk of its foodstuffs, and that it is the object of the Association to stimulate a more intensive development of local food supplies, so that the Colony may to a much larger extent utilise its own resources. That this object has the full endorsement of the Government is evidenced by the practical interest shown by successive Governors and by Lady Peel in opening the show on previous occasions. The Government has also manifested its interest in giving an annual donation from public funds, and by the grant of a site for an experimental agricultural station.

Food of the People

"In speaking to an audience so largely composed of Chinese, it is scarcely necessary to emphasize the great importance of the proper production of the food of the people. This has been a paramount concern of the rulers of China for 3,000 years.

"Right down to the end of the Manchu Dynasty the supreme

available in the New Territories in increased quantities, if the breeding of cattle and pigs is developed, a policy which has been so extensively advocated of late. Increased supply of these fertilisers would enrich the soil and increase its productive capacity. The breeding of cattle and the growing of vegetable products are, therefore, mutually beneficial.

"The Chairman, in his speech, has paid deserved tribute to his colleagues on the Committee, but his modesty precluded him from mentioning his own work which, I know, has been invaluable. I have not had the pleasure of collaborating with Mr. Wells in the work of this particular organisation, but I have had the privilege of associating with him in other activities, and I know how energetic, thorough and conscientious a worker he is. I feel no doubt that the present successful position of the Association owes very much to his devoted energy.

"The Colony has been fortunate in having so many able and public-spirited citizens devoting their time to this important work. Among these stand out pre-eminently Sir Robert and Lady Ho Tung who can truly be said to be pioneers in the endeavours and whose efforts have contributed largely to the substantial improvements that have already been effected. To them and to the New Territories Agricultural Association the Colony is immensely indebted. The Committee of the Association perform arduous labours, and are therefore the more worthy of praise."

Appeal for Co-operation

"An association like this is undoubtedly deserving the sympathy, encouragement and support of every public-minded citizen. In China as in every country to-day, it is realized by those in authority and by all who have studied the subject, that agriculture can be best developed through careful and judicious assistance of various kinds to the farmers. For this purpose, organisation is necessary, and an association such as this furnishes the organisation best adapted to fulfil the purpose of which I have spoken. Advice and information, encouragement and help, can yield the best results only when the Government and private citizens co-operate in the work. Hongkong is fortunate in having had this co-operation already in existence for so many years.

"Now, I must bring this already lengthy talk to a close. I congratulate most heartily the Committee and members of the Association on the splendid progress they have already made, and sincerely wish them continued and enhanced success in the future. I have much pleasure in declaring this Show open." (Applause.)

Acknowledgments

The Committee desires to thank the following for valuable support and assistance in ensuring the success of the Show:

The Hongkong Government for a grant in aid of \$2,000; H. E. Sir William Peel, K.C.M.G., K.N.E., District Officer (North); "Star" Ferry Co., Ltd.; Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.; Sir Robert and Lady Ho Tung for the use of "Tung Ying Hok Po" for the monthly Committee Meetings during the year, their kind hospitality and generous donations; The Kowloon Residents' Association; The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation; The Oversea-Chinese Banking Corporation, Ltd.; The Bank of China; The British-American Tobacco Co. (China) Ltd.; The Press (both English and Chinese) for their sympathetic and unfailing support; The Kowloon Motor Bus Co., Ltd.; Mr. H. Green, Botanical Forestry Department, for special display; The Royal Hongkong Golf Club; China Light and Power Co., (1918) Ltd.; General Li Fook-lum; Messrs. Graca and Co.; N. V. Overzee'sche Kalf Export Mij.; China Motor Bus Co., Ltd.; and Mr. Andrew Tse.

Excellent Soil

"It has sometimes been said that the soil of the New Territories is poor. It may be useful for me to draw attention to the statement made by His Excellency the Governor here on that occasion that in the opinion of the Imperial Institute, who had examined several specimens sent to them, the soil of these territories, when assisted with lime, was excellent for the growing of rice and of fruit. With such a favourable report, we need not be apprehensive about future agricultural development in the New Territories. Rice is the staple food of the Chinese, and fruit is consumed in large quantities in the Colony.

"The improvement of the soil depends on the intelligent use of fertilisers, both chemical and natural. Artificial fertilisation, especially by chemical fertilisers, is of the greatest importance in modern agriculture. It has for some years been the complaint that chemical fertilisers tend to harden the soil. The use of such products is, however, economical, and should be encouraged. The saving of labour and the increase in output, are so great that all possible assistance and information should be obtained in connection with them.

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Straits	Penang Maru	January 9
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London, 13th December and London		
Parcel—London, 6th December—		
and Air Mail ex Amsterdam		
Handong Service (Amsterdam, 26th December).		
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Japan	Taiyo Maru	January 10
Japan and Shanghai	Tango Maru	January 10
Japan and Shanghai	Tantalus	January 10
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Japan and Shanghai	Pres. McKinley	January 11
Japan	Ranchi	January 11
Japan	Durban Maru	January 11
Saigon	Jean Laborde	January 11
Straits	Lyons Maru	January 11
Japan	Benal Maru	January 14
Shanghai	Antenor	January 15
Shanghai	Felix Roussel	January 15
Straits	Torukuni Maru	January 15
Straits	Troilus	January 16
Shanghai	Conte Rosso	January 17
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C., 25th Dec.)		
Australia and Japan	Emp. of Asia	January 17
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 28th Dec.)	Kitano Maru	January 17
Straits	Pres. Hoover	January 17
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Saigon	Tuesday	Hai Ning Tues, Jan. 8, 2 p.m.
Manila	Tuesday	Lyemoon Tues, Jan. 8, 3.30 p.m.
Bangkok	Tuesday	Pres. Taft Tues, Jan. 8, 4.30 p.m.
	Wednesday.	
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Central and South America, Canada and Europe via San Francisco and Europe via Siberia (Due San Francisco, 30th Jan.)	Wednesday	Anama Maru Wed, Jan. 9.
Fochow	Wednesday	Reg. Jan. 9, 5 p.m.
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	Thursday.	
Amoy	Thursday	Taiyuan Thurs, Jan. 10, 3.30 p.m.
	Friday.	
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	Saturday.	
Letters for "Handong-Amsterdam Ranchi Air Mail Service"	Saturday Sat, Jan. 12.
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	K.P.O.	
Parcels, Jan. 11, 4.30 p.m.	Parcels, Jan. 11, 5 p.m.	
Reg. Jan. 12, 9 a.m.	Reg. Jan. 12, 9.45 a.m.	
Letters Jan. 12, 10 a.m.	Letters Jan. 12, 10.30 a.m.	
Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong		
Manila		
Shanghai and Japan		
	Tuesday.	
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	K. P. O.	
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Letters Jan. 15, 9.30 a.m.	Letters Jan. 15, 10.30 a.m.	
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	K. P. O.	
Reg. Jan. 15, 10 a.m.	Reg. Jan. 15, 10.45 a.m.	
Letters Jan. 15, 11 a.m.	Letters Jan. 15, 11.30 a.m.	
Fort Bayard, Hoihow, Pakhoi and G. G. Paul Doumer		
*Haiphong		
Swatow, Amoy and Fochow		
	Wednesday.	
Straits and Europe via Marseilles Antenor (Due Marseilles, 14th February)	Wednesday Wed, Jan. 16.
	K.P.O.	
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Haiphong		
	Thursday.	
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, Conte Rosso and East and South Africa, Egypt and Europe via Brindisi (Due Brindisi, 7th February)	Thursday Thurs, Jan. 17.
	K.P.O.	
Reg. Jan. 17, 1 p.m.	Reg. Jan. 17, 2.15 p.m.	
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ATLANTIC DRAMA

STEAMER AGROUND OFF FLORIDA

New York, Jan. 6. With the memory of the Morro Castle disaster still fresh in the public mind, news comes that the liner Havana, flying the same house flag, is aground off the coast of Florida, and that passengers and crew are already taking to the lifeboats.

The Havana, with 51 passengers and 120 crew on board, is hard up on the treacherous Mantaquilla shoals, off Jupiter, Florida.

Franklin S.O.S. signals have been flashed out, and all ships in the vicinity are rushing to the Havana's assistance. The nearest potential rescue ship is still 200 miles distant.

The Havana is a steel twin-screw steamer of 6,678 tons, built in Philadelphia in 1907, and registered in New York. She was formerly known as the Comfort.

It will be recalled that only four months ago, the luxury liner, Morro Castle, also of the Atlantic, Gulf and West Indies Steamship Lines, while on the voyage from Savannah to New York, caught fire off the New Jersey coast. Hundreds perished in the holocaust and the ship was a complete wreck.

At the early inquiries, strong allegations of sabotage were made, but no charges followed. Certain officers of the Morro Castle were fined for negligence and many civil suits are pending.

Should the position of the Havana be as serious as first reports indicate, her loss, following the Morro Castle disaster, will prove a serious blow to the company.—United Press.

BRIGHT FUTURE

RAMSAY MACDONALD'S NEW YEAR MESSAGE

London, Jan. 6.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, broadcasting a New Year message, said that everything pointed to a year of improving trade, rising wages and increasing employment.

The time was close at hand, he said, when the rationalisation of the coal industry must be taken in hand, including royalties.

He anticipated a well thought out and adequately supported scheme of land settlements, aimed ultimately at placing thousands of families back on the land.

The year 1935, he declared, would be specially marked in the history of the British Commonwealth of Nations. India would receive new status and new responsibility.

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Singapore, Jan. 5.

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The only exemption made is in the case of officers on ceremonial visit.—Reuter.

A United Press despatch says that the Government is asking the Legislative Council to approve the altered port rules, which will apply to Singapore, Penang and Malacca, and provide that permission must be obtained from the Colonial Secretary, even for excursions to cinemas.

Military Training

London, Jan. 6.

A denial that he suggested the re-introduction of compulsory military training in Australia was today made by Sir Maurice Hankey, Secretary of the Committee of Imperial Defence, on his arrival at Glasgow from Canada. He has just concluded visits to the various parts of the Empire.

Sir Maurice said that his attention was drawn to a report with regard to compulsory military training for a ten-year period and for the re-organisation of the Australian defences.

In this connection, he said: "I want to deny the report completely."—Reuter.

Naval Demands

New York, Jan. 6.

The Japanese Ambassador, Mr. Saito, speaking before the Foreign Policy Association, denied British and American rights to navies capable of warfare in Asia while limiting Japan, who was unable to attack Britain and the United States.

The speaker pleaded for a reduction of all navies, thus making impossible aggression. He denied the contention that Japanese parity envisioned aggression in the Orient, jeopardising the "open door" policy in China.

Mr. Saito denied that Japan's policy was to exclude Britain and the United States from Chinese trade. He said that Japan is not imperialistic, neither is the United States, he said, citing the case of Philippine independence.—United Press.

American Policy

Washington, Jan. 6.

The Secretary of Navy, Mr. Claude Swanson, has sent a letter to the Chairman of the Navy Committee of the House of Representatives in which he urged the construction of all private vessels for naval use in the time of war.

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H. M. S. Hermes, the aircraft carrier which is replacing the Eagle, arrived yesterday afternoon heralded by a squadron of her aeroplanes. The Hermes has come from Singapore where she took

part in the military manoeuvres last month.

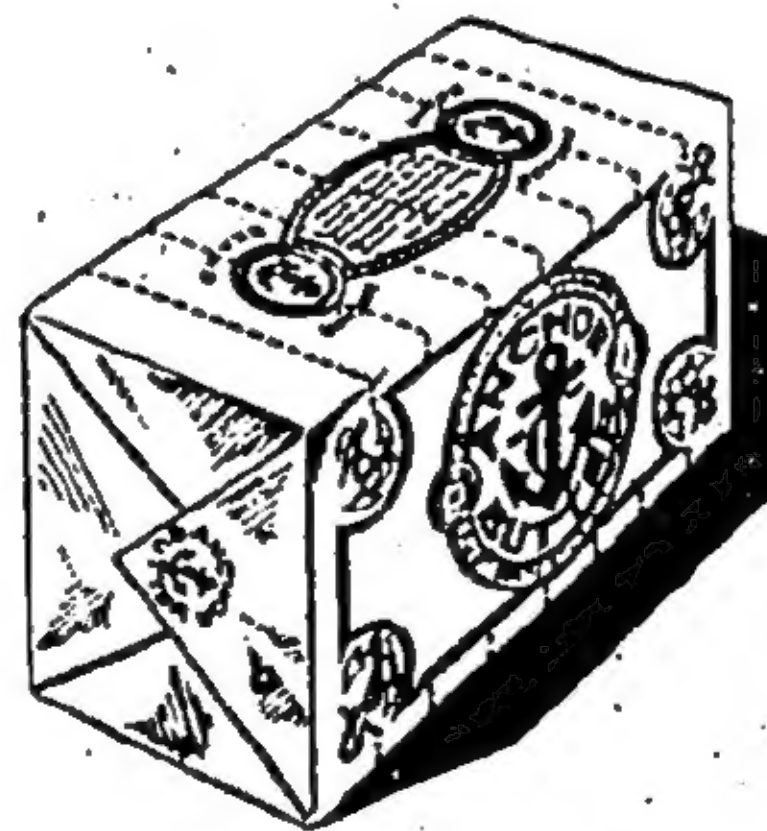
The Hermes and Eagle met at Singapore during December, the former on her arrival from home for duty on the China Station and the latter on being relieved to return to the Mediterranean.

The Hermes has brought out with her the newly-formed No. 824 (Fleet Spotter Reconnaissance) Squadron of nine Seal aircraft. She will take over from the Eagle No. 803 (Fleet Fighter) Squadron

of nine Ospreys. These two squadrons will constitute her equipment while serving in China.

The Eagle has with her No. 825 (Fleet Spotter Reconnaissance) Squadron, which she will retain for service in the Mediterranean. On arriving at Malta on January 30 she will embark No. 812 (Fleet Torpedo Bomber) Squadron of 12 Baffin aircraft, which was formerly in the Furious, but has been shore-based at Malta since that vessel left for home on October 15.

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MONDAY, JAN. 7, 1935.

THE TOOTING EVIL

The consensus of opinion at Home appears to be that the operation of the recently-instituted silence zones in respect of motor traffic has contributed considerably to the public comfort without constituting any serious danger either to pedestrians or to other users of the roads. The new system has certainly resulted in more careful driving at night. It is of interest also to note another fact—that there does not appear to be nearly so much use of the horn as formerly, anywhere or at any hour. In other words, the practice enforced in the night hours tends to spread to driving in general. When a motor-car driver finds that he can get along without having repeated recourse to the horn, he sensibly slips into the habit of silence in places where the prohibition does not exist. In this way, the benefits of the new system, which was primarily devised with a view to the prevention of unnecessary noise at night, are being felt throughout the whole day. Here in Hongkong, where the amount of night traffic is not great, there may not be any call for the institution of silence zones, although the experiment might at any rate be given a trial in such residential areas as happen to be intersected by main thoroughfares. But that the tooting nuisance during the busy part of the day, especially in the business centre of the city, is as bad as ever it was, there can be no question. Now and again, drivers are prosecuted for offences in this respect, but the cases are by no means frequent and appear to be brought, for the most part, by senior police officials who happen to have encountered glaring instances of infringement of the regulations. The evil will never be stamped out except by a big campaign against the offenders, or by the issuing of definite instructions to the traffic police that every observed case be taken up. In some parts of the world, the sounding of horns is prohibited at any time in even the busiest localities, the contention being that there are adequate safeguards, in the way of traffic control, in existence. Whether such a method is possible here in Hongkong, where pedestrians are over-given to jay-walking, remains to be shown. A day's experiment in the centre of the city might produce valuable results. One thing is at any rate certain, namely, that most of the horn-blowing is totally unnecessary; even the owner-driver, if he puts the matter to a test, would be surprised to see how well he could get along

without practically any use of the horn. The biggest source of the trouble locally, however, is to be found amongst the drivers of public hire cars, and it is against these that a continuous campaign should be waged by the traffic police.

NOTES OF THE DAY

MODERN PIED PIPER

The drawback to the easier mode of communications, the increased comfort of travel of which we boast to-day, is that it is impossible to restrict these benefits only to those persons or objects whose movements are useful and agreeable to their fellows. If (says a Home writer) we can visit Italy or Greece in a couple of days, Lascars, Levantines and Rumanian Jews find it equally easy to come to us. We may enjoy frozen meat from Australia or ginger from China, but snakes, unknown to Ancient Britons, not infrequently arrive in London unnoticed, wrapped up in bundles of bananas. Above all, the present world of travel has proved a boon to that hardest and most ubiquitous of animals, the rat.

NOT LOVABLE

The rat has few qualities which commend him to mankind. He is courageous, and (it is said) a good father; but he is a voracious eater and, above all, a carrier of disease. In the twentieth century we are already beginning to regret what ravages were wrought a short time ago by the plague and cholera brought to the West by Eastern rats. A queer reminder was given us the other day when a London man died from a form of jaundice, common in Japan and India, and originating from infection by rats. The only safeguard against such dangers lies in international counter-measures. Since the War, the League of Nations has devoted its time to combating the rat. The epidemiological service collects and broadcasts information from almost all ports in the world in any cases of suspected disease on board ship or in port, by these means reducing the risk of infection to a minimum. In the Far East, the League has attacked one of the main sources of infection at the root by its reorganisation of the quarantine and public health service in China. It is only an exceptionally resourceful rat which can run the blockade to-day.

BALKAN PEACE

Apart altogether from the new Franco-Italian pact, there are other avenues by which peace in Europe, and especially in the powder-magazine of the Balkans, may be reached. When the Little Entente was formed, it was partly directed against Bulgaria. Bulgaria had no direct dispute with Bulgaria. But Bulgaria had direct territorial disputes with Yugoslavia and with Roumania, on account of Macedonia and the Dobrudja. The objection raised in some quarters to the Little Entente was that though defensive and intended to consolidate the status quo, it nevertheless had a military purpose. While Bulgaria was in the opposite camp, among the revisionists, it was, though feeble by itself, a source of danger. Again, when the so-called Balkan Pact was signed, bringing together Greece and Turkey, as well as Roumania and Yugoslavia, it was not hailed very warmly as a peace move, because altogether Bulgaria was informed that it might enter the invitation, as long as Bulgaria cherished ambitions of recovering territory, seemed ironic.

RECENT CHANGE

But recently a change has come over the Balkan scene. Bulgaria has evidently decided that it is useless to persist in a policy which spells ostracism. The late King Alexander of Yugoslavia and King Boris of Bulgaria recently agreed to cultivate better relations in the future. Despite the assassination of King Alexander, there are good grounds for hope that there will be a genuine improvement in the Bulgarian-Yugoslav situation. Moreover, M. Titulesco of Roumania has taken the initiative of endeavouring to settle the quarrel with Bulgaria relative to minorities in the Dobrudja. It is reported that there is every hope, if not for a pact, yet of an understanding which will have vital consequences for the Balkans, and therefore for Europe. There may soon be a new harmony in the troublesome peninsula which has been the bugbear of diplomats for generations. To run beyond the facts would be unwise, for the Balkans are fertile in surprises, and Greece too has its word to say. Yet without undue optimism it may properly be declared that provided there is no internal break-up of Yugoslavia, never was the outlook for a peaceful Balkans so promising.

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JAPAN'S ADVANCE
IN NORTH CHINA

(SPECIAL TO "TELEGRAPH")

This is the first of a series of four articles reviewing and analysing events in the development of Japan's advance into North China, with emphasis upon present trends.

Peking.

The Japanese invasion of North China has not ceased. Since its story is no longer written in blood, punctuated with bullets, this steady encroachment and penetration has long since left the headlines of the world's newspapers. But it continues, with perhaps more positive and lasting results than when the world waited breathlessly for the fall of Peking or the capture of Tientsin.

Casting aside the spear of armed invasion, Japan has drawn on the velvet gloves of diplomacy in pursuing her ends in North China, manipulating men and events with smooth but inflexible firmness. By this change of policy, undesired world-wide publicity and the antagonism of unfavourable public opinion have been avoided, while at the same time realisation of Japan's plans in North China has not been unduly slowed down.

Events have now moved far enough to show about what Japan's ambitions in North China include. In the economic field it is apparent that Japan means to play a dominant role in the development of communications, industry and finance. Specifically, Japan is reported to be demanding rights to invest in or build several new railways, and to extend the Japanese-Manchukuo air line into North China.

Reliable Chinese sources report that a list of demand reminiscent of the famous Twenty-One Demands have been drawn up. Whether or not such demands have actually been presented, the investment of Japanese capital in new railways and air lines in North China will eventually create a situation precisely similar to that which prevailed in Manchuria prior to 1931, with Japanese "interests" at stake, necessitating, on the slightest provocation, protection and "defence" by Japanese troops as those in Manchuria did in September of 1931.

POLITICAL FIELD

In the political field, Japan appears to be aiming at the creation of a virtual buffer state between Manchukuo and China. The area involved comprises roughly the north-eastern third of Hopei Province, including the railway and Tientsin and the triangular region north and east of the Peking-Tientsin railway to the Great Wall. This district apparently is to be governed, not by "Independents" or Japanese nominees, but by Chinese officials who are at least as responsible to Japan's wishes as to China's. Chinese sovereignty will be maintained, but it will not be of a nature objectionable to the

Japanese nor opposed to their ambitions in the North.

Many of these plans are now well along toward realisation. Negotiations intermittently in progress since the signing of the Tangku Armistice a year and a half ago have within the past few weeks been renewed with intense activity. The negotiators on the Japan-Manchukuo side have been representatives of the Imperial Japanese Kwangtung Army, Japan's force in Manchukuo, whose commander-in-chief is Japanese ambassador to Manchukuo and virtual ruler of the new state. The Chinese have been represented by a group of minor officials connected with the Peking Political Readjustment Council, whose chairman, General Huang Fu, was sent north to make peace with the Japanese when Peking and Tientsin were threatened, and who has remained virtual ruler of North China since.

NO RECOGNITION

On the theory that Manchukuo is an independent state, Japan has not been willing to take an official hand in most of these discussions, nor is it likely that China would have consented to treat with a Japanese diplomatic official in the matter. On the other hand, on the theory that Manchukuo is a non-existent state, China has refused to deal with any delegates officially connected with the Changchun government. The Japanese Kwangtung Army and the local administrators of North China were thus the only parties who could meet to discuss these momentous issues.

But no one in North China questions that whatever the results of the negotiations, they will be carried out, official or non-official though the delegates may have been. Stern protests and warnings in connection with a series of comparatively trifling "incidents" and the knowledge that the Japanese troops stand ready to re-invade North China at any moment have provided an effective "thunder off-stage" which has gone far to hasten the conclusion of agreements on the debated points.

United Press.
To-morrow: The Tangku Armistice and its Aftermath.

The Very Idea!

A STRIKING SHOW

By George

WE went to the boxing on Saturday with the elite (not pronounced lit as so often justified) and we must say that it was certainly a grate time.

Freddie, that's our landlady's four-year-old son, was a little bored and we had to coax him with peanuts through the show to keep his interest up.

The young are so exacting, especially on free tickets. The programme was a most enjoyable one though at times the fighters were inclined to become a little rough and but for prompt action on the part of the officials, there would certainly have been bloodshed.

However, the referee was most kind and stood up for the weaker men splendidly. When one of the men forgot himself and hit really hard, the referee smiled at him and shook a reproving finger.

There was a large German who had a most cunning way of fighting. His policy was to wear the other man out by letting him hit him and then to turn the other cheek.

We were told that if he had been hit downstairs more often the fight would have been over sooner.

From our recollection of being hit downstairs (two and a half flights) we share this opinion but question the fairness of the procedure.

We were glad that Chan was not on the programme again as the remarks of the audience last time quite took our interest off the boxing.

One remark we remember was "Make 'im cork up 'is rice Chaville!" which was most uncalculated for, and would have been disastrous for all concerned. However, it's all in the game and boxing is certainly the game that counts.

DUMB-BELLES, LETTRES

By Juliet Lowell

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John H.



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tooth twice a day."

HELENA MAY
CONCERTPROF. MAKLEZOFF'S
PUPILS.

On Saturday afternoon a fairly large audience listened to a concert given by about twenty of Prof. Maklezoif's pupils at the Helena May Institute. Actually, with one exception, the performers were confined to his juvenile pupils, and it would have been fairer to Prof. Maklezoif if it had been made clear that he has a number of senior pupils also, who did not appear on this occasion.

In the case of concerts given by young people, it is naturally the personal or academic interest and not primarily the musical one that holds the audience and one is more concerned in seeking for latent than finished performances. Nevertheless, some of the items were interesting musically, notably the Nocturne of Field, played by Miss Pat Crosthwaite, the rendering of which showed musical taste and feeling above the average. Her younger sister shows every sign of being equally gifted. Masters Arnold and Peter Brooksbank will also do well: they are both obviously keen.

It was a pleasure to see so many British children on the programme. Another feature was the exceptional talent shown by Prof. Maklezoif's Japanese pupils, of which there were no fewer than seven. These tiny mites had firmness of touch, good rhythm and finger dexterity that were little short of amazing in such youngsters. The most gifted were Miko Sukagawa and Kazuko Fujieda, both of whom got a warm reception after very creditable performances of works by Field, Grieg and Laval.

The only two Chinese artists on the programme on this occasion were the Misses Ivo and Charlotte Ivo, who were senior to the rest. The latter was heard with Prof. Maklezoif in two pieces from Arensky's Suite for Two Pianos, which showed off her technique to advantage and was enjoyable musically.

The concert ended with a movement from Mendelssohn's Piano Concerto in G Minor and three pieces by Rachmaninoff played by Prof. Maklezoif himself.—ALLEGRO.

COTTON INDUSTRY

SPINNERS TO CONCENTRATE
ON SPINDLE SCRAPPING

London, Jan. 5. Owing to the failure to secure sufficient support from individual firms, the scheme announced on October 9 last, for the formation of a new Spinners' Association in Lancashire, in view of the reduction in costs and the elimination of competition, has been abandoned.

The Federation of Master Cotton Spinners' Associations has decided to concentrate on a plan for scrapping surplus spindles.—REUTER.

The Voting

London, Jan. 5. As was expected the result of the ballot of cotton spinning firms in Britain does not provide the required 90 per cent. of spindles in the trade to permit of further progress with the suggested scheme for the formation of a Cotton Spinners' Association to carry out a quota system for the regulation of production and prices in this section of the cotton industry. The voting showed only 50.75 per cent. in favour. A second scheme for buying up redundant spindles and either scrapping them or putting them "into cold storage," for which purpose it is suggested that funds should be raised by a statutory levy on all operating spindles, was also the subject of the recent questionnaire to trade. The voting in favour of this scheme showed 66.34 per cent. for, 18.40 against, and 15.26 per cent. no replies.

These figures are considered by the Federation of Master Cotton Spinners' Associations to warrant proceeding with the scheme.—British Wireless.

OPEN DOOR POLICY

NO VIOLATION BY
JAPAN

New York, Jan. 5. Charges that Japan, in the past, had frequently violated the principles of the "open door" policy in China have been plainly repudiated in many official reports of United States consular officers, asserted Mr. Salto, the Japanese Ambassador, in a speech to the Foreign Policy Association today.

Mr. Salto added that, if the complaints now advanced by foreign interests were well-founded, it was reasonable that their situation would be rectified if he were right in stating that the "open door" policy was synonymous with commercial justice and fairness.

Any questions which occurred should be approached through diplomatic channels, and never settled by naval force, the Japanese Ambassador advised.—REUTER.

An effective wall calendar, with a charming picture in colours, has been issued by The Pharmacy.

RETURNING TO
COLONYLOCAL RESIDENTS DUE
ON RAWALPINDI

The Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, who has been on leave in England for the past ten months, is returning to the Colony, accompanied by Lady Pollock, aboard the P. and O. liner Rawalpindi, which arrives on Thursday from London.

Mr. F. Crappell, Secretary of the Kowloon Wharf and Godown; Mr. W. O. Lambert, of the Government Marine Surveyor's office; Mr. L. B. Bell, of the Customs Department; Dr. G. V. A. Griffith, of the Government Medical Department; Mr. F. J. Edensor, of the China Light and Power Company; Mr. Russell-Brown and Mr. E. A. Hayward are other prominent local residents aboard the liner.

Other passengers include: Mr. V. C. Aldaba, Mr. W. R. N. Andrews, Mrs. Andrews, Miss J. Andrews, Mrs. W. H. Jaque, Mr. H. J. Bearsey, Mrs. Bell, Mrs. L. G. Bird, Mrs. M. F. Bonny, Mr. E. M. C. Burney, Miss O. Crappell, Mr. F. Crappell, Capt. and Mrs. G. O. Don, Mrs. G. Don, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. E. Edwards, Mr. L. B. Edwards, Col. J. Ferguson, Miss G. B. Grigor, Miss D. Harding, Mrs. Hayward, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Holmes, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Howard, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Lambert, Mrs. W. Lee, Mr. T. A. Martin, Mr. Martin, Mr. H. B. Noon, Miss Oakes, Lady Pollock, Mrs. Russell, Mrs. Russell-Brown, Mr. A. W. Smith, Mr. V. J. Smith, Miss Wallroth.

SATURDAY BRIDE

MISS CHRISTINA PONG
WEDS MR. LAU

A prominent Chinese wedding of much social interest took place on Saturday afternoon at the Hongkong Union Church when Miss Christina Pong and Mr. George Sukkau Lau were married, the Rev. E. G. Powell officiating at the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. Pong Tsai-ching, well-known Chinese merchant, and Mrs. Pong. The bridegroom is the only son of Mrs. Lau Sul-chuk.

The bride, who entered the Church on the arm of her father, wore a white wedding gown and carried a prayer-book. She was attended by the Misses Lukmai Luk, Lily Luk, Gloria Mok and Margaret Chan as bridesmaids. Little Miss Li Yuk-moi and Master Chau Kiu-yin were flower girl and page boy.

The duties of best man were carried out by Dr. Lee Ching-wa who was assisted by Messrs. Kenneth Pong, Larry Ku and K. T. Cheng as ushers. After the wedding ceremony, a reception was held at the Gloucester Buildings where the many friends of the happy couple gathered to toast their future happiness.

The honeymoon is being spent outside the Colony.

ANOTHER PEAK THEFT

HOUSE COOLIE'S LAPSE
AFTER TWO YEARS

Charged before Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy on Saturday morning, with the theft of one tin of mutton polish, one tin of boot polish, a tin of wax and a tin of brass, property of Mr. A. B. Purves, from No. 174 The Park, Ip Cheung, a house coolie employed by the complainant, was fined \$50 or in default six weeks' hard labour.

Sergeant Harris said that the defendant was arrested in Stubbs Road near the Dairy Farm. The stolen articles were found in a cardboard box in his possession.

He was on his way to a carpenter in Queen Victoria Street, where he intended to sell the articles.

Defendant admitted the charge, and said he had been in the employ of the complainant for the past two years.

One case each of Typhoid and Meningitis and three cases of Diphtheria were reported to the local Health authorities on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. S. J. Walsh, of the British-American Tobacco Co. (China) Ltd., who were booked to leave for Shanghai on the Anama Maru leaving here on Wednesday, on Mr. Walsh's transfer to that port, have been unavoidably delayed owing to the sudden illness of Mr. Walsh.

The French sloop Savorgnan de Brazza and Rigault de Genouilly arrived in port this morning from Haiphong. As they entered the harbour a Royal Salute of 21 guns was fired and replied to from Blackhead Fort. A salute of 17 guns was also made to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, Admiral Sir Frederic C. Dreyer. H.M.S. Kent replied.

The Health bulletin of Eastern ports for the week ended December 29 shows the following cases of infectious diseases: Plague—Basselin 4 cases, Calcutta 49 cases, Madras 8 cases, Chittagong 4 cases, Smarag 3 cases, Bombay 3 cases, Calcutta 14 cases, Madras 2 cases, Negapatam 10 cases, Rangoon 2 cases, Tourane 8 cases, Macao 15 cases, Shanghai 2 cases. Typhus—Port Said 1 case.

FRANCO-ITALIAN
PACTM. Laval And Il Duce
Reach Agreement

Rome, Jan. 6. M. Laval, Signor Savich (Italian Under-Secretary of State), and M. Renet met at 5 p.m. in the Hotel Excelsior for the discussions. Prior to the meeting, M. Laval informed journalists that everything was proceeding satisfactorily; that the whole ground proposed in the agreement had been covered in the morning interview with Signor Mussolini.

The main difficulties, it was understood, were the manner in which the German Government should be approached; the degree to which she should be asked to participate in the Austrian Non-Interference Pact, and finally, the triangle of interests represented by France, Italy and Abyssinia, which had been complicated by the Italo-Abyssinian trouble.

It was thought that the assurances given to the Abyssinian representative had helped to improve the situation.—REUTER Special

Understanding Assured

Rome, Jan. 6. The first Franco-Italian conversation resulted in achievements toward a firm understanding between France and Italy.

Hungarian reservations regarding Austria necessitated a *modus vivendi* to safeguard Hungarian rights. Hungary is thus satisfied.

The prospect of a general pact for the maintaining of the peace of Central Europe is now assured.

M. Laval and Mussolini have agreed on Austria's independence, with the admission of Germany, Yugoslavia, Czechoslovakia and Hungary; also, ratification of the Lybian frontier and new status for Italians in Tunis have been agreed to.

The statesmen discussed Somalia, principally the Abyssinian problem.—United Press.

Agreement Concluded

Rome, Jan. 6. The Central European Pact has been completed and communicated to the German Government.

The agreement consists of a Consultative Pact between France and Italy, according to which they will consult each other in the event of any interference with the independence of Austria.

The recommendation that a Pact of Non-Interference be signed by all countries bordering Austria, including Germany recommends that Rumania and Poland should be asked to participate in the Pact of Non-Interference, and these two, with others contiguous to Austria, except Austria, shall agree not to interfere with each other's internal affairs, nor instigate any act of aggression, nor countenance any terrorist activities.—REUTER.

Complimentary Remarks
At Banquet

Rome, Jan. 6. "Peace remains in jeopardy but we have raised great hopes which we will not disappoint," declared M. Laval, when referring to the Franco-Italian agreement in a speech at a banquet given by Signor Mussolini at the Palazzo Venezia.

M. Laval, continuing, said that France, which was rightly concerned with her security, understood how to participate in reconciling nations; whilst Mussolini had written the latest page in the history of modern Italy.

The ruins of ancient Rome constituted a warning not to allow humanity to fall back into the darkness which was known for so many centuries, he said.

Signor Mussolini said that France and Italy were working not only for a dual agreement between the two countries, but also for the furtherance of the ideals which the two countries had inherited from a common origin.

They were not, said Il Duce, working to renounce their respective friendships in Central Europe, but to harmonise interests and necessities in the cause of peace. There was no question of excluding other nations, he said.

M. Laval presented Mussolini with the Grand Cross of the Legion of Honour, and Signor Mussolini presented M. Laval with the Grand Cross of St. Mauritius and Lazarus.—REUTER.

"Truly Excellent"

Rome, Jan. 6. Interviewed, M. Laval declared that the agreement was more than good; it was truly excellent.

Echo de Paris, and L'Oeuvre state that German opposition to entering the Pact may be overcome by dividing the Pact into two parts; firstly, a Memorandum recommending the successor States of Austria, namely Poland, Yugoslavia and Czechoslovakia, to sign a declaration, upholding for the time being the preservation of their frontiers and opposing foreign interference with internal affairs; secondly, a consultative Franco-Italian Pact, open to the successor States, whereby the

WOMAN DISCHARGED

TWO UNEMPLOYED MEN AND
WOMEN IN COURT

Appearing before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy on Saturday morning, and charged on two counts relating to the receiving of stolen property, Ho King, aged 25, a married woman, was discharged on the grounds that she was acting under the instructions of her husband, who was convicted on four different charges of theft and burglary.

The others who were also charged were Lee Hoi, aged 30, unemployed; Cheung Man-oi, aged 26, Ho King's husband; and Chan Fui, aged 34, a widow. All defendants pleaded guilty. The first defendant was charged with (A) breaking into 251 Ki Lung Street, first floor, on October 1, and stealing \$30 and a cigarette case, the property of Ng Chai-nan, aged 38, a married woman; (B) the theft of clothing and money the property of Chan Kun-wan, aged 24, an accountant, from 142 Apiti Street, ground floor, on October 19; (C) breaking into 221 Apiti Street, ground floor, on December 20, and stealing various articles of jewellery and clothing, the property of Chan Tui-yun, aged 21, a market woman; and (K) breaking into 14 Pak Wing Street, first floor, on December 27 and 28, and stealing \$23, 12 articles of clothing, a watch and a fountain pen, the property of Oh Wun, aged 32, a Chinese doctor.

Charges against the second defendant were (C) stealing a cotton quilt from the roof of 35 Tang Chai Street, on December 11, the property of Wong Hoi-sam, aged 20, unemployed; and charges (E), (H), and (K), were also preferred against him.

The third defendant was charged on three different counts of receiving stolen property, while the fourth defendant was charged on one charge of receiving and the unlawful pawning of a silk jacket at the Yuen Hing Pawnshop on December 21.

All defendants pleaded guilty, and the third defendant stated that she had been instructed to receive the article by her husband, Cheung Man-oi. The Magistrate discharged her, and sentenced the first and second defendants to a total of 12 months' hard labour each, and the fourth defendant to three months' hard labour.

Detective-Sergeant Allen, who appeared for the prosecution, stated that all defendants were arrested on information received.

LESSON SERMON

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST,
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"God" was the subject of the Lesson Sermon in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, yesterday. The Golden Text was "Now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. (1 Timothy 1:17).

Among the citations which comprised the Lesson Sermon was the following from the Bible: "Now when the sun was setting, all they that had any sick with divers diseases brought them unto him; and he laid his hands on every one of them, and healed them. And he rebuked them suffering them not to speak; for they knew that he was Christ." (Luke 4:40, 41).

The Lesson Sermon also included the following passages from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "The Bible contains the recipe for all healing. The leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations." Sin and sickness are both healed by the same Principle. The tree is typical of man's divine Principle, which is equal to every emergency, offering full salvation from sin, sickness, and death. Sin will submit to Christian Science when, in place of modes and forms, the power of God is understood and demonstrated in the healing of mortals, both mind and body. (p. 406).



It isn't only Hollanders who get in Dutch.

signatories' promise to consult if Austrian independence is threatened.

The papers are of the opinion that Hungary and Poland, and even Germany, will be able to adhere to the Memorandum, while not joining the Pact.—REUTER.

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Z.E.K. PROGRAMME

From Z.E.K. on a wavelength of 355 metres (845 kilocycles): 5-8 p.m. European Programme. 5-7 p.m. A Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Hongkong Hotel Roof Garden (by courtesy of the Management). 7 p.m. Closing Local Stock Quotations, London and New York Stock and Commodity Quotations. 7.05-7.30 p.m. Excerpt from "The Yeomen of the Guard" (Gilbert and Sullivan). 7.30-7.40 p.m. Octets. La Cinquantaine (Marie). Andante in G (Baliate). Andantino (Song of the Soul) (Lamor). 7.40-8 p.m. From the Studio. A Talk on "The 1st part of the Journey Home via Panama" by Miss P. W. Brown.

8 p.m. Local Time and Weather Report. 8.03-10.30 p.m. Chinese Studio Concert.

9-10 p.m. Reuter Press Bulletins, London 1 p.m. Stock and Commodity Quotations.

10.30 p.m. Reuter Press Bulletins, Rugby Mid-day Press News, Further London Stock and Commodity Quotations.

10.35 p.m. Close Down.

Z.E.K. PROGRAMME

8.30-10 p.m. European recorded Music from Z.E.K. on a frequency of 640 k.c.s.

8.30-9.03 p.m. Concerto in A Minor, Op. 16 (Grieg).

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9.03-9.30 p.m. Variety.

Songs—Little man, You've had a busy day.

Les Allen, with Mrs. Allen and Norman.

Songs—Radio Requests.

Les Allen (Baritone).

Sketch—Clapham and Dwyer on Hobbies.

Clapham and Dwyer.

Fox-Trots—Born to be Kissed.

Fox-Trots—Two Cigarettes in the Dark.

Piano Solos—Jazz Goblins.

Piano Solos—Waltz Romantique.

Rale da Costa.

9.30 p.m. Reuter Press Bulletins, London 1 p.m. Stock and Commodity Quotations.

9.35-10 p.m. Light Orchestral Selections.

Reminiscences of Grieg (arr. Urbach).

Pique Dame—Overture (Suppe).

Contrasts—Potpourri of Famous Melodies (Robrecht).

10 p.m. Close Down.

ZEESEN PROGRAMMES

This Evening's Broadcasts From The German Short-Wavers. Special programme for Far Eastern listeners will be broadcast from Zeesen as follows.

SOUTH ASIA ZONE

South Asia Zone broadcast from DJB (10.74 metres) and DJN (31.43 metres).

1.45 p.m. DJB, DJN Announcement (German, English).

German Folk Song Programme Forecast (German, English).

2 p.m. Broadcast from Breslau: Concerto from German Masters' Coronation Concerts by Mozart. At the Piano: Edwin Fischer.

2.30 p.m. News in English.

2.45 p.m. "Heute in der Zeitschrift."

A Play by Hans Felsen.

3.30 p.m. Topical Talk.

4.45 p.m. News in German.

5 p.m. Concert of Light Music.

6 p.m. News in English.

8.15 p.m. Close down DJB, DJN (German, English).

EAST ASIA ZONE

East Asia Zone broadcast through DJA on 31.25 metres, and DJN (31.43 metres).

9 p.m. DJA, DJN Announcement (German, English).

German Folk Song Programme Forecast (German, English).

9.15 p.m. Broadcast from Breslau: Concerto from German Masters' Coronation Concerts by Mozart. At the Piano: Edwin Fischer.

9.45 p.m. News in English on DJA and in Dutch on DJN.

10 p.m. Popular Orchestral Music.

11 p.m. To-day I have been reading an old book.

11.15 p.m. News in German on DJA and DJN.

11.30 p.m. "Heute in der Zeitschrift."

A Play by Hans Felsen.

12.15 a.m. News in English on DJA and in Dutch on DJN.

12.30 a.m. Close down DJA, DJN (German, English).

KZRM PROGRAMME

This Evening's Broadcast From Manila Station

The following programme will be broadcast from Manila by KZRM:

8 p.m. Studio Classics.

8.30 p.m. Practice Hour—Conservatory of Music.

9.10 p.m. Spanish Informational Period.

9.30 p.m. English Informational Period.

9.50 p.m. Dinner Music.

10.10 p.m. Studio Band Box. Service.

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11.05 p.m. Requests.

11.20 p.m. Brunswick Recording Programme—Sponsored by A & P Co.

11.35 p.m. Burgess Battery Programme—Sponsored by P. H. Stevens Co.

11.50 p.m. To be announced.

12.10 p.m. Light Classical Varieties.

12.30 a.m. Dinner Music.

12.50 p.m. Sign Off.

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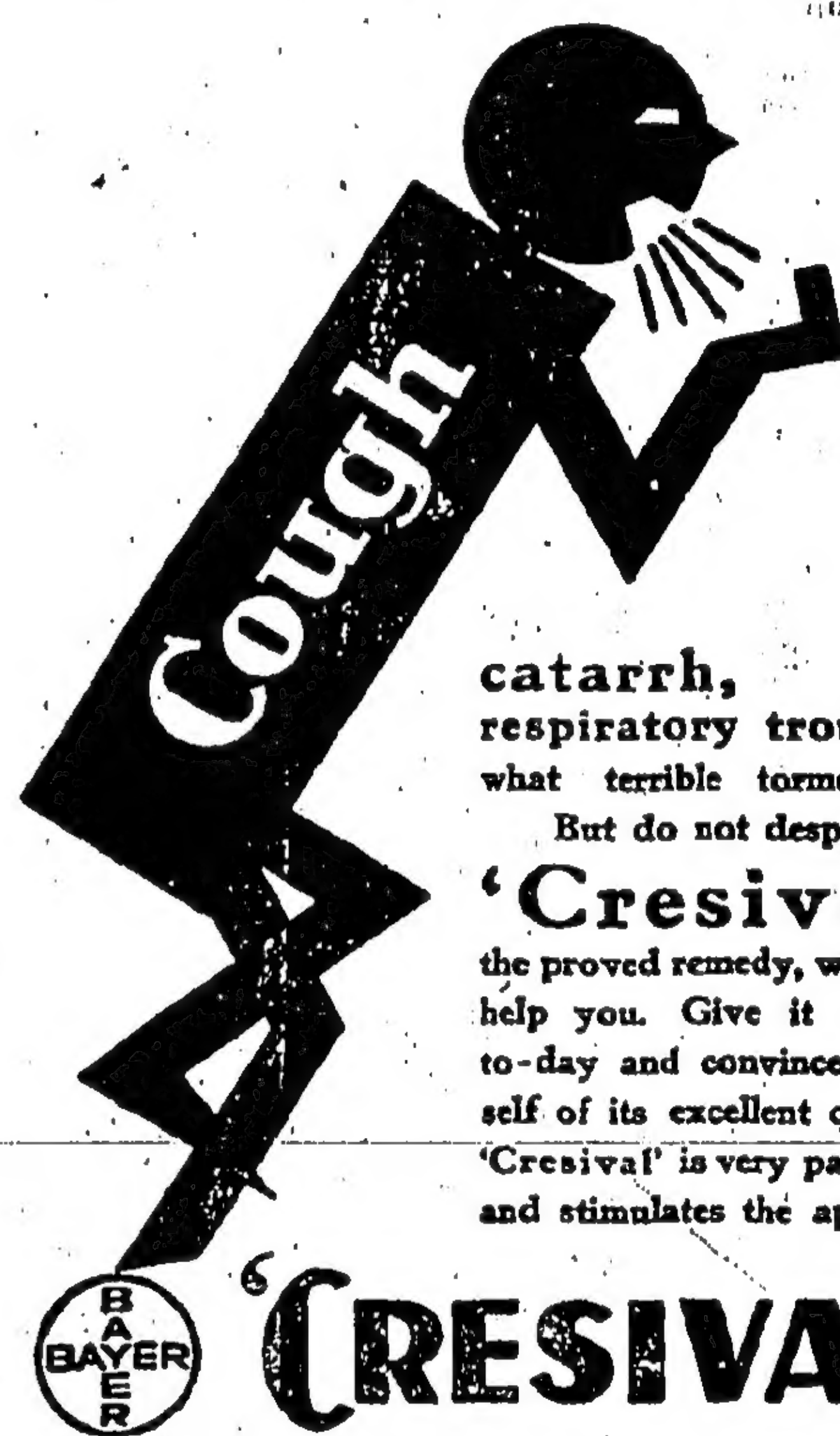
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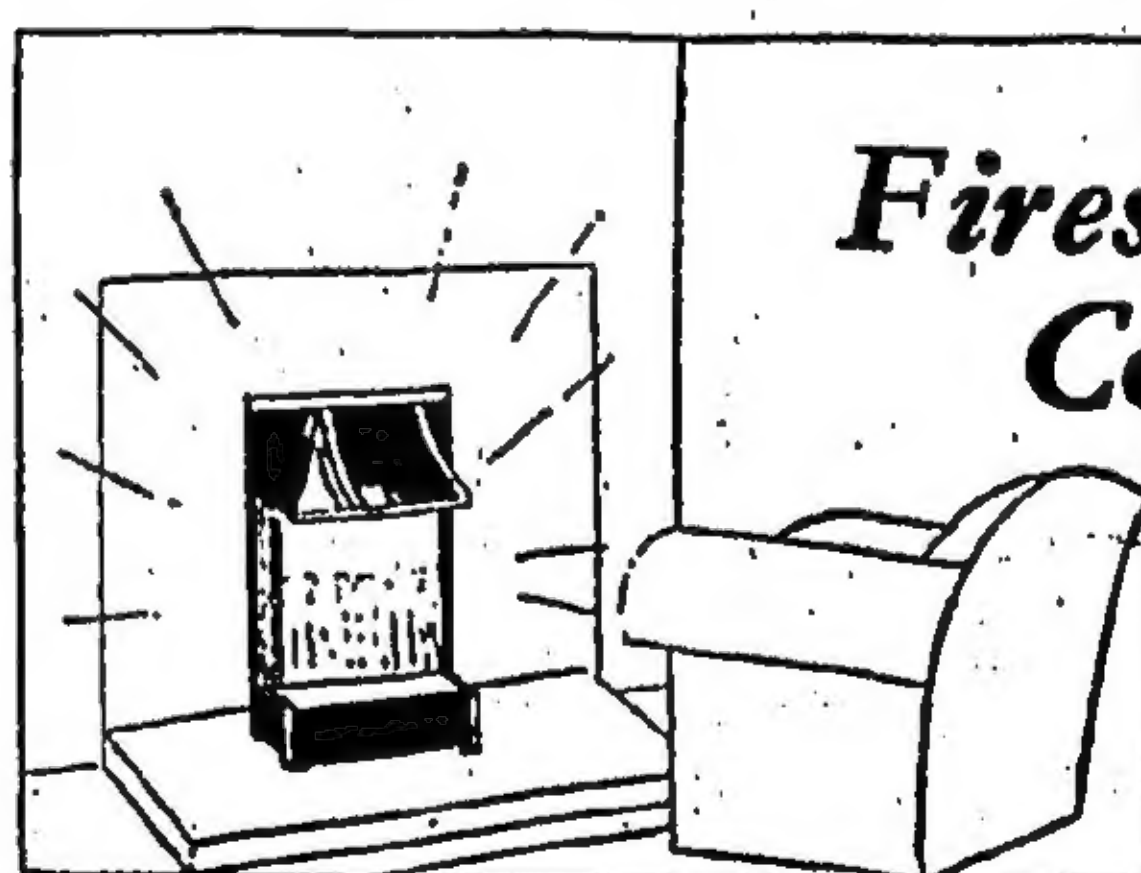
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SUNDAY'S SHIELD TIES BRILLIANTLY CONTESTED

PRANDY WINS TITLE OUT-BOXES DEE

GREAT DEBUT AS PROFESSIONAL

(By "Resle")

A. B. Prandy, the H.M.S. Kent featherweight who made his professional boxing debut at the previous tournament, won the Colony Championship at his weight before a large house at the Lee Theatre on Saturday and impressed critics by his speed and determination, as one of the most promising youngsters seen here for a long time.

Stoker Dee of H.M.S. Phoenix put up a game fight but he emphasised physical disadvantages by his method of fighting—always being on the ropes and in retreat.

In the first round Dee got slightly the worst of swapping punches but if he had purchased those tactics he would have gone further and fared better. Prandy wielded both gloves as Dee covered up on the ropes and though the Cornishman's defence was good, several stinging lefts penetrated his guard and he took heavy swings on the side of the head.

NO K.O. PUNCH

In the fourth round Dee dropped his guard and fell to the floor before a heavy two-handed attack.

Prandy could have finished the fight in this round if he had been able to produce a knock out punch. The opportunity presented itself early as Dee with one eye closed staggered about the ring. Clever ringcraft delayed the end until the seventh round when Prandy closed the other eye and dropped his man for a short count.

The referee stopped the contest as Dee was so blind that he could not find his way out of the ring.

INTERNATIONAL TESTS

The international contests were good entertainment although the Max Brilka—Appleby contest was more a feat of strength than skill on the part of the former which kept the crowd's interest.

Brilka is a big, powerful man, but with no idea of fighting or boxing. He sagged about the ring as Appleby punched him unmercifully about the body and did not land a single effective blow in return during the six rounds before his seconds threw in the towel.

The American, Mel Hermes of U.S.S. Mindano, and A. B. Robinson of H.M.S. Medway began with some amusing acrobatics but finished up with stern and savage hitting which was so evenly shared that the verdict of a draw was the only one possible.

S. CHINA HELD TO DRAW

Navy Fight Hard

SKINNER FOOLISHLY NEGLECTED

South China "A" went nearer to being beaten yesterday, when they met the Navy in the Senior Shield, than at any other time this season. A rousing game ended fittingly in a draw, necessitating a replay.

Missing the inspiring forward line leadership of Fung King-cheung, and being somewhat poorly served by Tay Qua-liang his substitute, South China had to fight every inch to live another day. The Navy's enterprising methods sought the vulnerability of the Chinese, and very nearly succeeded to the extent of causing the season's biggest surprise result.

Had Skinner, the best winger the Navy have had on the China Station for several years, been better attended, the Navy might now be in the second round. Skinner was woefully neglected, being forced to do his own fetching and carrying. It was this which stopped the Navy from developing a winning attack.

McGUIRE'S MINE-SWEEPING

The game was full of fast and keen exchanges. The Chinese were slightly the more polished, but this was nullified by the tirelessness of the Navy, whose defence rose to all occasions. The difference between the two sets of backs was negligible, and although as a trio the Chinese halfbacks appeared to be somewhat better than the opposition, McGuire's brilliant "mine-sweeping" in the pivotal position saw the Chinese attack just as well held as that of the Navy.

Curiously enough neither goals were very satisfactory. Pepper made the only mistake in a good afternoon's work and allowed Ip Pak-wa to hook the ball past him, while Li Tin-sang headed into his own net after being severely pressed by a brilliant Navy attack.

Tao Kwai-shing and Ng Po-kui on the right and left wings respectively, were outstanding in the Chinese forward line, and in contrast, Tay Qua-liang was much below form.

Kiley and Cannell figured prominently in the Navy attack, which might have developed into a something very formidable, had not the offensives been concentrated entirely on the right wing. Ryecroft, West and Love, in addition to McGuire, played conspicuous parts in a game of fluctuating fortunes.



A fine action picture, showing Pepper, Navy goalkeeper grassed, and a Navy defender clearing with his head as Tam Kong pak rushes in in an effort to score. A thrilling incident during yesterday's Shield game at Causeway Bay. (Photo: Mee Cheung).

UNDIGNIFIED DEATH OF ST. JOSEPH'S SENIOR SHIELD HOPES

RAGGED DISPLAY AGAINST SOUTH CHINA "B"

YOUNG CAROLINE HILL TEAM SHOWS HOW IT IS DONE

(By "Veritas")

St. Joseph's cherished Shield hopes died with unexpected suddenness at Caroline Hill on Saturday; but the real tragedy was that it was not given to the Saints to die, like soldiers, gloriously; it was as the death of a mouse in the hands of a cat,—lingering, painful and undignified. South China "B" toyed with them, getting them in their clutches with a three goal lead, teasing them with a bare chance of escape when this lead was reduced half way through the second half, and finally carrying out the "kill," with a couple of quick goals only a few minutes from the end of the game.

It was the worst display the Saints have given this season, and as they deteriorated from mediocrity to complete ineffectiveness, so South China improved, giving one the impression that the losers had by some error, got into the wrong competition.

Despite the undeniable smartness of the young Chinese team, the game never approached the standard of football rightly to be expected. The Chinese owed everything to their half backs and forwards, the latter earning the chief honours of the day. But with the Saints it was impossible to pick out any department as a whole and hold them as paragons. One was allowed to appreciate only individuals, and they could be counted on one hand.

PAINFUL FEATURE

St. Joseph's failed as a team, and it was impossible to reconcile Saturday's team with the one which had formed so handsomely against the Club a week before. The defence collapsed, almost from the word "go," and only the untiring energies of Dave Leonard and Elms saved the collegians from being overrun.

To the Saints the most painful feature of the match was the sudden decline of Dellar, Addis and Beatty, three of their new players. The first two could not put a right foot. Dellar was not only bewildered by Yeung Shui-yick but frustrated and worried out of a normal game by the quick and skilful manoeuvres of Lai Shui-wing and Tang King-yeo. His clearing was tentative and his tackling nervous.

Addis was continually out-positioned, and finally forced into such a crude defensive game, that he was unable to render any assistance to the attack and made very little effective contribution in defence.

FORWARDS ANALYSED

Beatty repeated his mistake of crowding Ward, but what was even more important lost all control of the ball. He made desperate efforts to recover himself, but things just wouldn't go right, with the result that half of the Saints attacks were killed a birth just over the halfway line.

Herbridge was lively, scored a good goal, and with Ward was the only constructive member of the Saints' constructive game. Costa finished badly or waited until he had reached the corner flag and then put behind. Victor was ill at ease all through and crowned an unhappy afternoon by missing a "slither" three yards from goal at the most crucial point of the game. A goal then would have given St. Joseph's a real fighting chance to recover.

Leonard was admirable at centre-half and had no peer among any of the intermediaries. He combined the qualities of a constructive player with those of a fine defender, but was distressingly supported.

So badly did things go for the Saints, that towards the end nearly all their passes, and certainly every shot, went over the goal line yards from the posts. And to fill their cup of unhappiness to overflowing, Dellar received marching orders just before the end for rough play.

FOLLOW ELDER'S FOOTSTEPS

Parentetically it might be observed that the game was most efficiently handled by the referee. I liked the way in which he pulled up the players for what could without doubt be regarded as dangerous tactics. In several instances there was no actual physical foul committed, but he recognised the possibilities of such methods, and put them down firmly from the very start. This is the sort of refereeing needed, for it teaches players that they cannot get away with "subtle" fouling, and gradually makes them realise that it is just as easy to get the ball without recourse to such tactics.

No team more justly deserved a decisive victory than South China "B." They were easily four goals better than the Saints, and even if one did not find uniform standard of excellence throughout the team, it was reached by the majority of the players.

SPLENDID REFEREEING

As I have intimated the forwards played the most notable part in a notable achievement. They reproduced all the finer points of success. (Continued on Page 9.)



TRIUMPH FOR POLICE

Forward Line Shines

LINCOLNS UNABLE TO SETTLE DOWN

Jumping back to that form which earlier in the season entitled them to the description of being one of the best civilian teams in the Colony, the Police yesterday gained the whip-hand of the Lincolns in a finely contested Senior Shield match, winning by two clear goals.

The Police benefitted from a vastly superior attack and an inspired display by Chris Pile at left back. As a team too, they showed more direct and progressive tactics than the soldiers, who in attack, relied almost exclusively on the genius of Ridley, and in defence on the masterly work of Meakin in goal.

The rest of the team, although good triers, were somewhat out-phased. Neither Edmundson nor Robson were capable of withstanding the delightful right wing partnership of Stevens and Tommy Pile. The former played his best game of the season, revealing perfect ball control and timing his passes to a nicety. Pile lobbed the ball into the goalmouth accurately and consistently, and when on the move, the Police forward line was doubly as dangerous as the Lincolns, who did not possess the same skill in combination.

Johnson was a robust leader and Green showed much improvement. In brief there was no weak link in the Police vanguard.

ALERT MEAKIN

Sound displays were given by Gough and Parker, but Pile was the outstanding man in defence and had no equal on the field. Blackburn was steady and resourceful, especially against the "doughty" Ridley. Pile had Higgins and Malpass well bottled up.

Meakin saved the Lincolns from a much heavier defeat. He fielded point blank shots and fierce drives from all angles, being finally beaten by shots which gave him no chance. Ash and Edmundson were valiant backs, but slow in anticipation, allowing the Police to get into position for shooting before challenging them.

The half backs were a little disappointing, and certainly did not touch customary form. The most lively efforts in the forward line came from Ridley and Higgins. Both wingers were fairly well overshadowed, and as a quintette the forwards were rendered pretty ineffective.

The Police scored both goals before the interval, Stevens sending in a pile-driver which Meakin did not see, and Johnson adding to this just before the interval, following a right wing movement which split "goal" all the way.

The Lincolns bucked up in the early stages of the second half, but once the Police had recovered from the pressure, they again enjoyed the major share of the exchanges, and were attacking at the close.

Lenny in-chan gets his head to the ball and clears a hot attack by the Navy during yesterday's Shield match between South China and the Navy. (Photo: Mee Cheung).

SHIELD TIE SNIPPETS

DOLEFUL GAME AT HAPPY VALLEY: HOWE ALONE SHINES

QUEER PSYCHOLOGICAL REACTIONS TO CUP-TIE FOOTBALL

(By "Veritas")

SATURDAY'S shield ties produced only two surprise results. It was this fact which became the most surprising feature of the programme. Even those two "astray" decisions do not come with in the category of sensational. It was always on the cards that St. Joseph's would lose to South China "B," and like the East Lancashires and Lincolns, the Fusiliers have relatively stronger reserve teams than their senior combinations, so that the possibility of them beating the R.A.M.C., could never be ignored.

THE standard of football in the three Senior Shield engagements was saved from being among the poorest on record only by the match between Kowloon and East Lancs. The Club and Fusiliers were very scrappy, and reference on this page to the full report of the Caroline Hill encounter, will indicate how disappointing that was.

KOWLOON'S win was popular, handsome and thoroughly deserved. Jones, late of the Borderers, made his debut in the Peninsula team and was the life and soul of a tremendously improved attack. Bliss was a bluster to the soldiers and blissful to Kowloon supporters; anyway he played a remarkably fine game. Morrison was really Morrison and Kowloon's old young-stagers pulled their weight as they have not done before this season.

IS there really to be a Kowloon renaissance?

DOWN at Happy Valley, those enthusiasts who had cut short their tiffin hour to be in time for the Club v Fusiliers match, lived to regret it. Hardly for the Club there was Howe, and there were a few occasions when supporters could appreciate the presence of Pote-Hunt and Bickford. Otherwise somebody might have demanded a rebate off his subscription.

CAN anybody seriously tell me how the Interpork? His inspired current form makes selection inevitable.

HE captured the Fusiliers' tranches three times, and if the referee had not called an armistice after 70 minutes, he would probably have repeated this.

THE Fusiliers needed a Howe in their attack; they would have reversed the result, especially in view of the weak Club wing halves, the instability of Gamble and the vagaries (unusual) of George Rodger.

THE disappointing displays by St. Joseph's, Club and Fusiliers encourages one to look for a psychological explanation. The question "Why do so many good teams play below form in cup-ties?" is always one which intrigues. The popular answer is generally a little unsatisfactory, because the factors which favour a team playing a normal game as so many more than those which have an opposite influence.

A cup-tie or shield match is still a football match, exacting no more and no less than an ordinary league game, unless it is that the duration of the game is ten minutes longer. In our local knock-out competition matches the same teams meet each other, so that it is never a question of being up against an unknown quantity. Only occasionally do the underfoot and atmospheric conditions vary.

AGAINST these considerations, one can advance only one serious factor which is capable of making a team play below form. It is that a team becomes affected in the knowledge that defeat in this game means the complete loss of all chances to win the trophy. There is no second opportunity. This seems to have its psychological reactions, expressed in terms of over-anxiousness on the part of players, nervousness and lack of normal concentration, all of which sap the potentialities of the team.

WHEN two teams in the same match are affected, it guarantees a poor standard of football and a not altogether satisfactory result. An example is the Club and Fusiliers game.

Rumjahn And Mrs. Chui In Final

MIXED DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP

Clever defensive tactics in the last set earned victory for H. D. Rumjahn and Mrs. Chui Chun-chui against Lieut. and Mrs. Kayll in the semi-final of the Colony's mixed doubles tennis championship yesterday.

Rumjahn and Mrs. Chui won after conceding the first set by the scores of 4-6, 6-4, 6-3.

The four players indulged in some excellent rallies, and if Lieut. Kayll had not made errors at the net off easy positions, the result would probably have been reversed.

Mrs. Kayll played her usual forceful game, and went incessantly to the net from where she volleyed and smashed with great skill. Her partner was stronger off the ground, but was unable to sustain a prolonged attack.

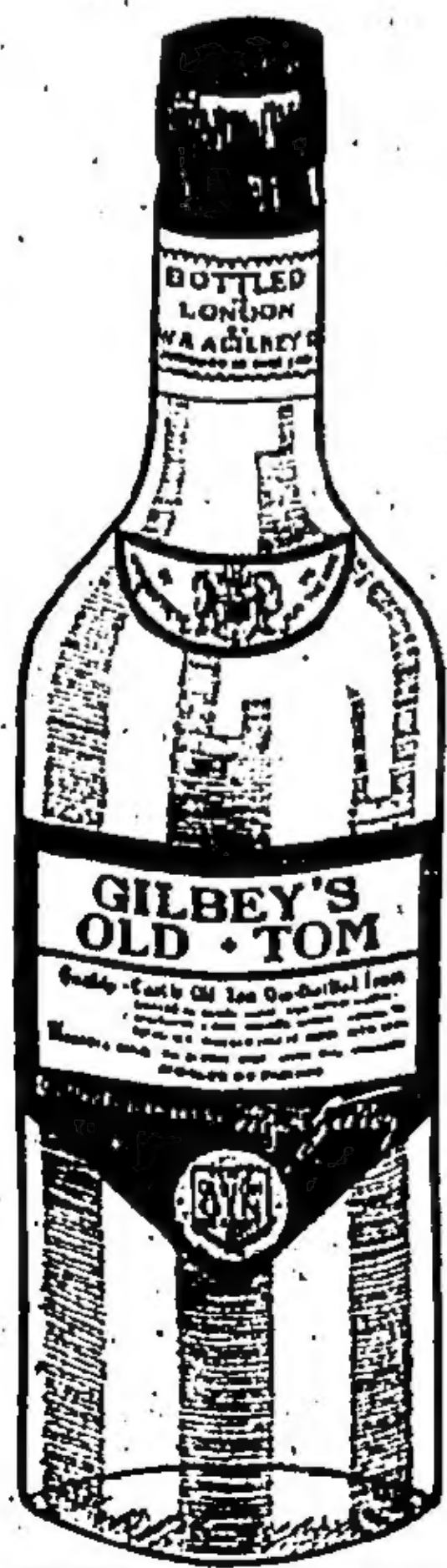
Mrs. Chui started somewhat nervously, but remaining at the baseline, gradually acquired confidence, and with it accuracy. After the first set she played extremely well, driving strongly on both hands, and lobbing with effect.

It was the lobbying campaign of Rumjahn and Mrs. Chui which forced the losers into fatal errors. Rumjahn was wonderfully accurate with these shots, finding the rear of the court time and again. He also covered the net with customary agility and kept his mistakes down to the minimum.

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Thanks to a brilliant achievement by the Y.M.C.A., who beat Hongkong Ladies on Saturday, St. Andrew's are now in a position to take over the leadership of the Caer Clark Cup league table.

With one match in hand they are at the present only a point in arrears to the champions. Had St. Andrew's been able to beat the Recreio on Saturday they would now be very strongly placed.

In view of the Y.M.C.A.'s victory, the C.B.A. can also be regarded as challengers for the cup, as by winning their game in hand they can come within a point of Hongkong Ladies.

The Y. M. were worthy winners, although Hongkong were deserving of a goal in the second, when they enjoyed most of the game. In the initial stages the champions were more or less outplayed, and it was fitting that Miss Sybil Dalziel should crown a fine display by netting both goals.

Saturday's Caer Clark Cup results and the present league table follow:

RESULTS.

Y.M.C.A.	2	H.K. Ladies	0
St. Andrew's	0	Recreio	0
C.B.A.	9	C.B.S.	0

LEAGUE TABLE

	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts.
H.K. Ladies	8	6	2	0	22	6	12
St. Andrew's	7	5	1	1	22	4	11
C.B.A.	7	4	2	1	25	8	9
"Y" Ladies	7	2	3	3	8	7	7
Recreio	7	1	3	3	4	5	5
C.B.S.	8	0	8	0	2	54	0

MAMAK LEAGUE

St. Andrew's Beat
Parthian

Three goals by E. F. Fincher, all scored in the first half gave St. Andrew's Club a Mamak League win against H.M.S. Parthian yesterday, by three goals to one.

The Saints were the better team throughout, although their most marked superiority was seen in the first half, when they took a lead of three clear goals. St. Andrew's combined better, the forwards especially being more capable.

The Parthian netted their solitary goal through I. R. Jones, a surprise shot from an acute angle. But there was never any chance of the result being other than in favour of St. Andrew's, who showed greatly improved form right through the team.

MATCH DRAWN

RAIN ROBS M.C.C.
OF VICTORY

Barbados, Jan. 5. After putting up 92 for one wicket the previous day, Barbados collapsed sensationally against the M. C. C. tourists to-day and were all out for only 177. Carew was the only batsman to offer any resistance, his contribution being 68.

J. Iddon was the man responsible for the collapse of the home team. He bowled extremely well to take four wickets for only 14 runs. Forced to follow on, Barbados had lost one wicket for only eight runs when rain fell, the match thus ending in a draw.

Undignified Death Of St.
Joseph's Shield Hopes

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ful offensive as practised by the club's senior team. It was not carried out haphazardly by any one forward, but was planned and effected by the whole attack, the ball swinging rapidly from wing to wing.

Thang King-yeo was strictly impartial in his distribution of the ball, and as he found both wingers on top form, he could afford to be. There was really not a lot of difference between any of the quintette, although I thought that Lal Shui-wing worked better together with Yeung Shui-yick than did Cheung Yau-shuk with Li Shik-yau.

Yeung played delightful football on the right wing, keeping Elms very

busy and always having a trick or two too many for Dollar. Tang and Cheung were always on the target with their shots, and Li had the mastery of Adams and Sousa right through the game.

Lee Kam and Henry Young were fine apolling wing halves, and appeared to have a working knowledge of nearly all the tricks of the trade. Young was brilliant in anticipation and simply ruined the Beauty-Victor combination. Lui Tak-po at centre half had his task rendered much easier by the poor support given to Ward, whose forward line leadership became less and less inspired.

BACKS UNCERTAIN

Cheung Chi-ying and Yui Hing-yuen were not a frightfully impressive pair of backs, being susceptible to collapse under sustained pressure. Any sort of energetic co-ordination between the St. Joseph's forwards would probably have seen the defence go to pieces. But the test never became so severe, and the Chinese backs just managed to scramble out of a couple of dangerous situations. Wong Wa-hai was perfectly safe in goal; that is so far as one could judge. He spent most of his time taking goal kicks, and was not called upon to make more than three real saves.

On this form, South China "B" will give any team a very good run for its money in the Senior Shield. They have, in fact, the makings of a combination as good as the present senior outfit. If anything like the same team is retained next season, it will need a lot of stopping.

ABOUT THE GAME

There is not much about the game calling for comment. All the goals scored were well worked for and merited. Thang King-yeo scored two beauties, Cheung Shik-yau also twice made the roof of the net rattle, and Yeung Shui-yick scored the best goal of the match—a wonderful angle shot from the wing, which whizzed past Wong's outstretched hands, to hit the far upright and then find the back of the goal.

The Chinese were two up at half time, and they added a third two minutes after the re-start. Herdridge replied with a very nice goal, then Victor missed a great opportunity of further reducing the lead. After this escape, the Chinese went away and helped themselves to two more goals, just to make certain.

Summed up one can say that St. Joseph's played a type of football typical of a nervous team in a cup match-winning league type of game. The difference on paper is purely abstract, but to the eye.....

RUGBY AT HOME

English Team Loses
To The Rest

London, Jan. 5. The result of the English Rugby Trial has given the Selection Committee something to think about. The side chosen to represent England in the International games were beaten by The Rest by seven points to three!

Results of the leading games played to-day were:

England 3 The Rest 7

RUGBY UNION FIXTURES

Bedford	21	Roslyn Park	6
Blackheath	8	Portsmouth	5
Bradford	16	Birkenhead	8
Bristol	19	Royal Albert	0
Coventry	15	Sale	10
Devonport	17	Old Cran-	16
Gloucester	29	London Scottish	5
Leicester	16	Swansea	6
Northampton	15	London Welsh	8
O.M.T.	15	Guy's Hospital	10
Richmond	11	Bath	9
St. Bart's Hosp.	0	Harlequins	10
Llanelli	8	Cardiff	8
Horizontals	8	Watsonians	3
Stewartonians	6	Glasgow	3

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—Reuter.

LOCAL YACHTING

JAN WINS "A" CLASS
EVENT

Jan, sailed by Mr. O. Bruusgaard, won the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club's "A" Class event for the Commodore's Cup when she beat True Blue (Mr. H. S. Rouse) by 14 seconds over a 10.7 miles course on Saturday afternoon.

Sirius, with Mr. H. M. Finley at the helm, beat Tynette by 1 min. 57½ secs. in the "G" Class event over 9.3 miles.

YESTERDAY'S YACHTING

THREE RACES SAILED FOR
COMMODORE'S CUPS

The Royal Hongkong Yacht Club yesterday sailed three races for Commodore's Cups in the Cruiser and "A" classes. Commander Orr-Ewing won the "W" Class race in Mair; Mr. A. L. Shields won the race for cruisers in Luana; while Commodore Elliott piloted Pat home first in the "A" Class contest.

BADMINTON LEAGUE

RECREIO BEAT TAIKOO
IN MEN'S DOUBLES

Playing in the Men's Doubles "D" Division of the Badminton League last Friday, the Club de Recreio beat Taikoo by seven games to two, the match being decided on the Taikoo court.

Detailed scores were:—C. Thera (Taikoo) lost to A. M. da Silva and L. A. L. Silva 21-23; beat H. A. Barros and A. E. Xavier 21-7; beat J. L. Silva and D. F. Lopes 21-10.

A. M. M. Stephen and C. H. Summers (Taikoo) lost to Silva and Silva 8-21; lost to Barros and Xavier 16-21; lost to Silva and Lopes 10-21.

A. W. Norrie and T. F. Stainton (Taikoo) lost to Silva and Silva 4-21; lost to Barros and Xavier 7-21; lost to Silva and Lopes 10-21.

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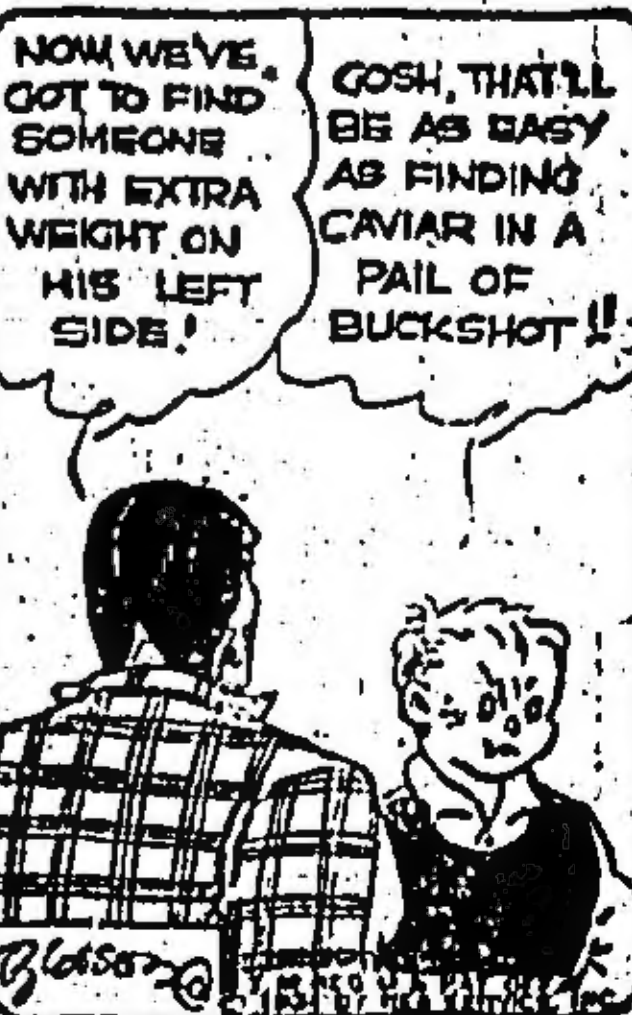
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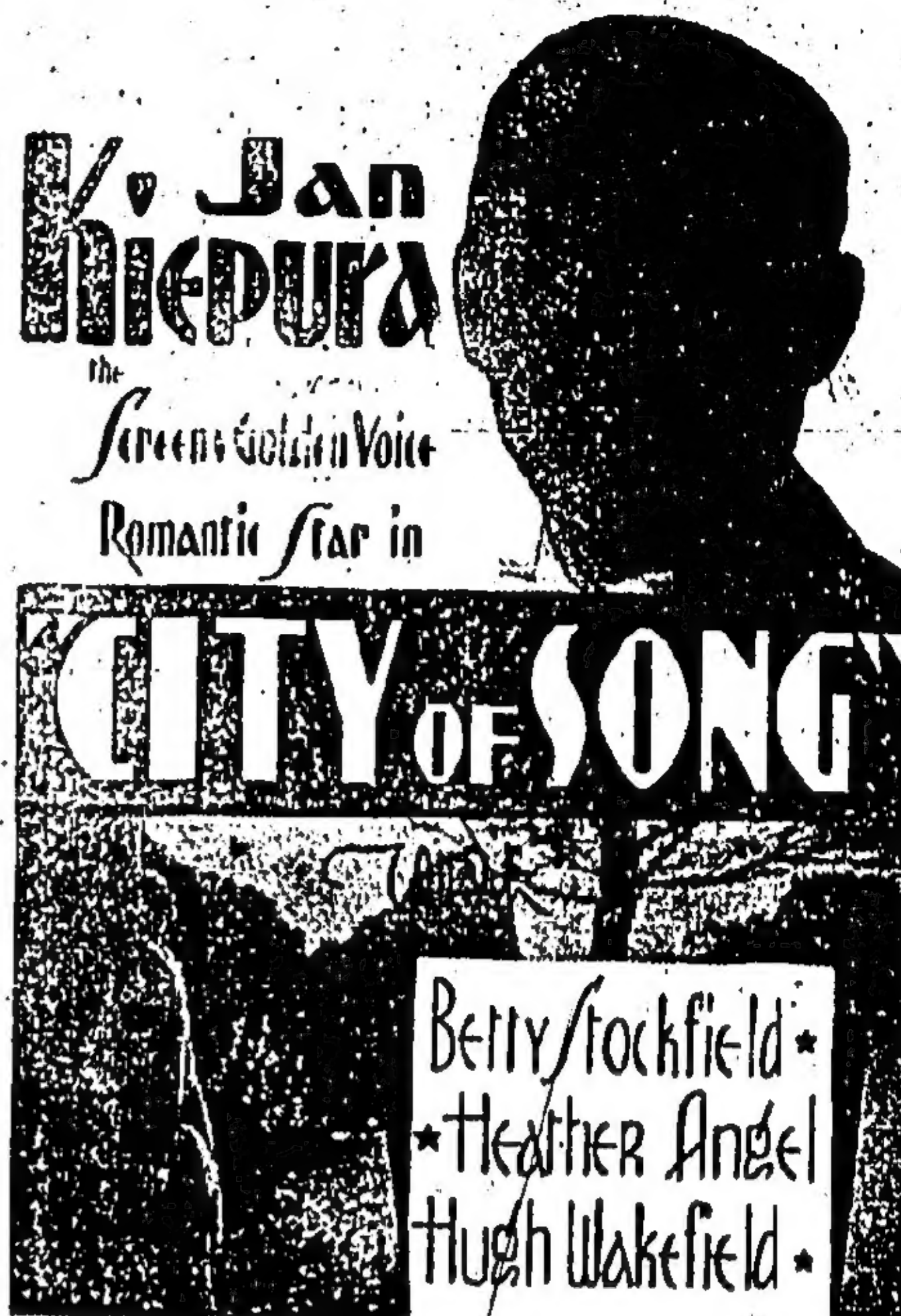
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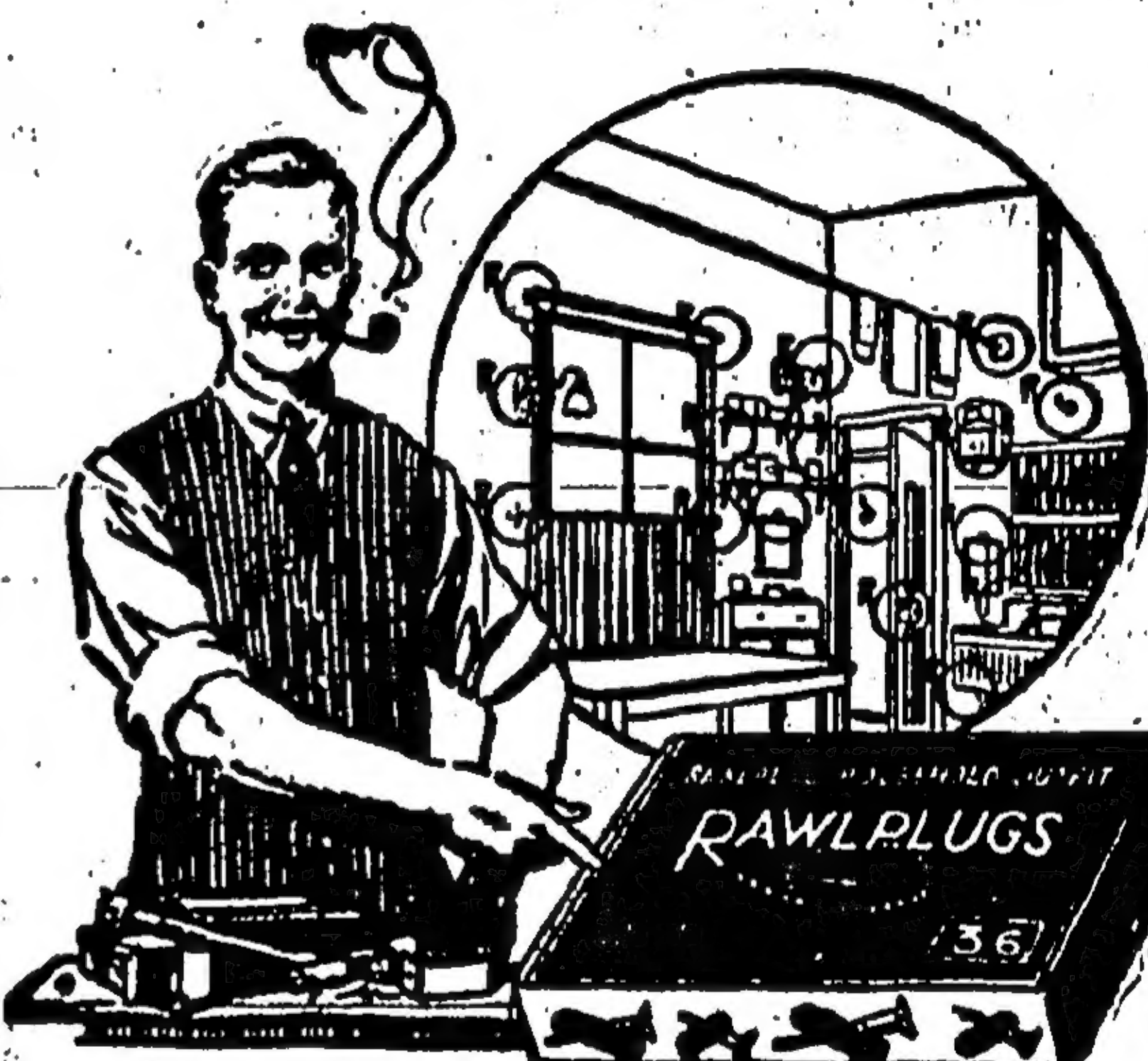
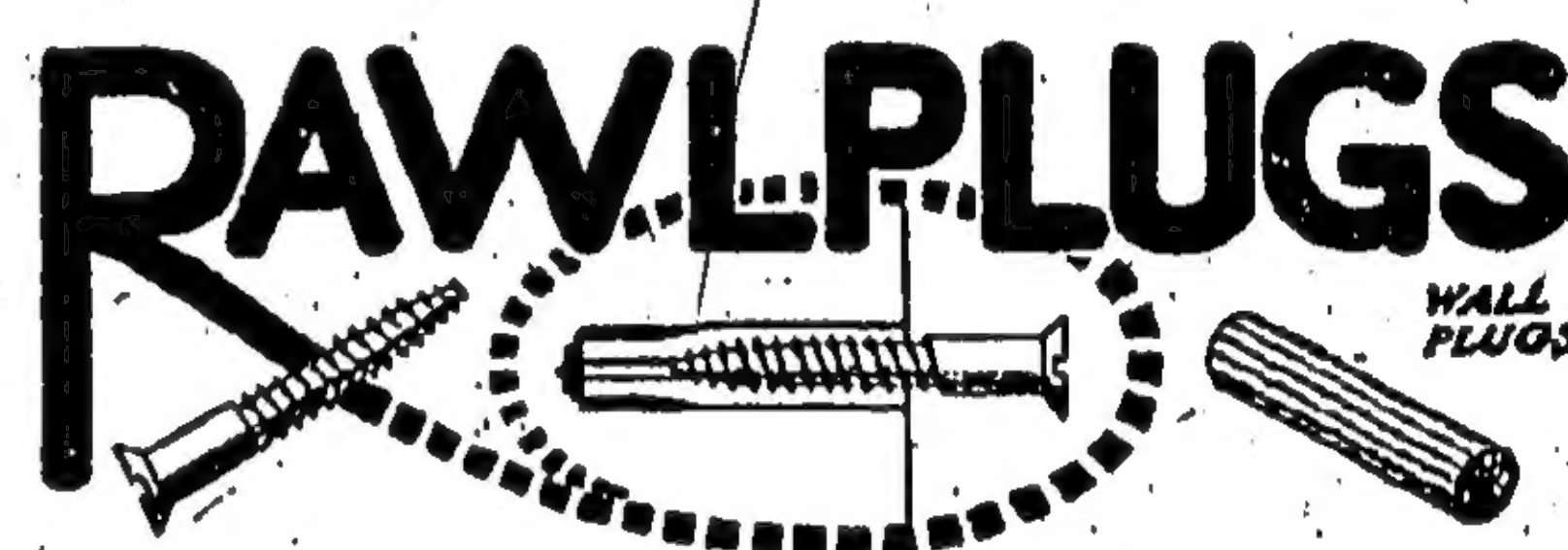


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THE UNIVERSITY

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The twenty-sixth annual congregation of the University of Hongkong will be held to-day in the Great Hall. In addition to the graduations, an honorary degree will be conferred upon His Excellency the Governor, Sir William Peel, who is also Chancellor of the University, as well as upon Dr. Hu Shih of Peking.

Tea will be served from 3.45 p.m. to 4.45 p.m.

At 5 p.m. a procession, including members of the Court, Council, Senate and Staff of the University, will enter the Great Hall. Members in this procession will assemble and robe in the Vice-Chancellor's room at 4.45 p.m. While the procession is entering the Great Hall the Band of the 1st Battalion of the Lincolnshire Regiment will play the Processional March.

The Vice-Chancellor will declare the Congregation open and will then confer the LL.D. degree *honoris causa* on His Excellency, Sir William Peel, K.C.M.G., K.B.E., M.A., Chancellor of the University. Sir William will be presented for his degree by the senior honorary graduate, Sir Robert Ho Tung, LL.D.

After receiving his degree His Excellency will leave the hall with the Vice-Chancellor and will return in the robes of Chancellor and take the Chancellor's seat.

The Vice-Chancellor will then present Dr. Hu Shih, B.A., Ph.D., upon whom the Chancellor will confer the LL.D. degree, *honoris causa*.

The Graduates in Medicine, Engineering and Arts will next be presented by the Dean of their Faculty. There are twenty-four Medical graduates, fourteen Engineering graduates and sixteen Arts graduates, including five women.

The Scholarship Winners in Medicine, Engineering and Arts will be presented by the Vice-Chancellor.

His Excellency the Chancellor will address the Congregation, and will then declare it closed. His Excellency will then proceed in procession to open the new School of Surgery. Visitors are requested to remain in their places until the

INDIA REFORM

LABOUR CRITICISM NOT SEVERE

London, Jan. 5. In the second of the controversial broadcasts on the problem of India, Major Atlee, Labour M. P., criticized the proposals of the Joint Select Committee for Indian Reform, on the ground that there was not a greater approach to the full satisfaction of Indian aspirations.

Nevertheless, he added, it must be recognised that the reforms, now recommended, constituted a very big advance over the present system of Government. In the provinces, although much depended on the spirit in which the reserve powers of the Governor were exercised, the Indians would have, in 11 Provinces, control over nine-tenths of what concerned the ordinary citizen, and they would have powers of self-government comparable to those enjoyed by citizens of the most democratic States.

At the centre, the All-India Federation prerequisite to full self-government was constituted and the principle of responsibility was conceded. It would be a mistake to lose sight of what had been gained in spite of what was withheld. They, the speaker said, might all hope that, in spite of disappointment the Indians would take full advantage of their wider opportunities of self-government, making the successful working of the new Constitution an irresistible argument for its completion.—*British Wireless*.

The procession has left the Great Hall. The School of Surgery, just completed along with the Peel Engineering Laboratory, which was opened recently, was commenced in 1933 and has cost \$24,131. On the ground floor is a lecture hall of 804 square feet and a dark room of 160 square feet. On the first floor are the operative surgery room, with an area of 750 square feet, and a room and laboratory for the Professor's assistant, with an area of 205 square feet. The second floor provides a laboratory for the Professor, with an area of 600 square feet, and a teaching laboratory and museum of 453 square feet.

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Reconstruction of Shing Shui Station Building, Mr. Ma Yiu Ting.

NORTH AND SOUTH

WANG CHUNG-HUI COMING TO HONGKONG

Shanghai, Jan. 6. It is learned in political circles that Dr. Wang Chung-hui will sail for Hongkong in the middle of this month in order to continue his efforts at bringing about the Nanking-Canton rapprochement. He has conveyed the final suggestions of the Central Government leaders to the South-western authorities.

Dr. Wang's telegram addressed to Canton is reported to mention that Marshal Chiang Kai-shek hopes all the responsible leaders of the South-west will proceed to the capital in order to share the responsibilities with the Central Government leaders.

Dr. Wang is awaiting a reply from the South before starting his journey to Hongkong. He will probably be joined by Dr. H. H. Kung, Finance Minister.—*Central News Agency*.

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Peking, Jan. 6.
A big group of irregular troops under the command of Liu Kwel-tung rushed into Melyun District from outside the Great Wall yesterday and indulged in pillage and burning wherever they visited. Government troops are being rushed to suppress them. Another group of irregulars, belonging to the same command, is being engaged with the Manchukuo troops outside the Great Wall.—*Central News Agency*.

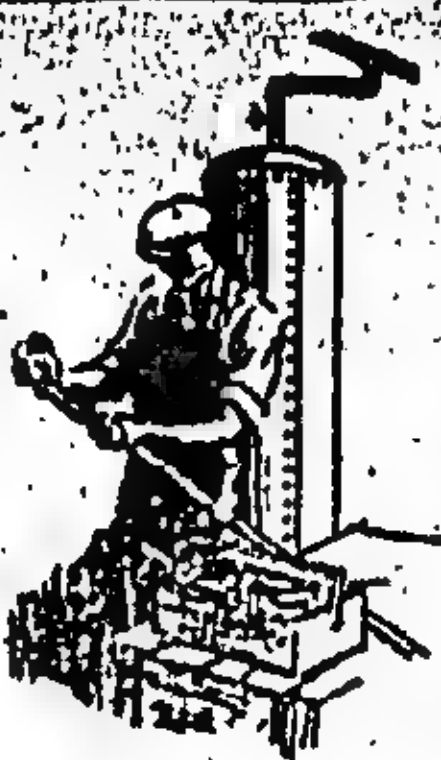
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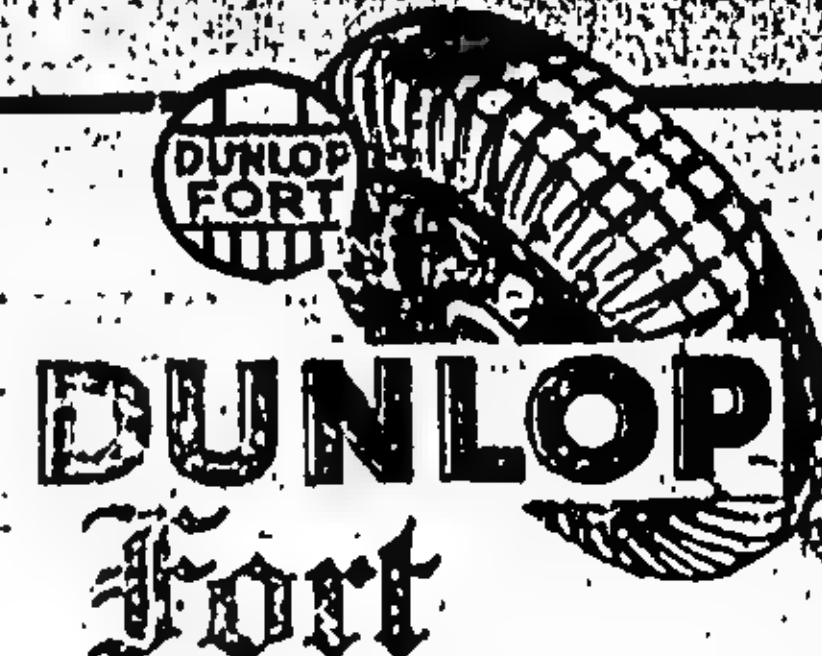
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Saarbrücken, Jan. 6.
There were mass demonstrations of pro-Nazi and anti-Nazi factions here to-day, but there was no violence of any sort, and the authorities are congratulating themselves that the peaceful nature of the crowds is a good augury for the plebiscite of January 13.

Despite a snowstorm, 100,000 members of the German Front, singing "Deutschland über Alles" and the "Horstwessel Song," attended a demonstration in the morning on a hillside outside Saarbrücken.

They heard speeches of their leaders predicting a large majority for a return of the Saar to Germany when the plebiscite vote is counted next Sunday.

Dispersing demonstrators met 60,000 anti-Hitlerites who had assembled for a mass meeting in the Saarbrücken Stadium, but the utmost good humour was shown. There were no clashes, as far as police records show.

The anti-Hitlerites, mostly Communists or Socialists, responded to shouts of "Hell Hitler" with cries of "Down With Hitler!" They sang lustily "The Internationale."

Broadcast of the speeches of the Socialist and Communist leaders was delayed owing to lack of electric current. It was supposed that Nazi sympathisers interfered with the power lines, but police intervened and restored the current. After that the crowd enthusiastically applauded the anti-Hitler speeches and with raised arms and clenched fists took oath of eternal hostility to the German president.—*Reuter Special.*

"BED-TIME STORY" OF KIDNAPPING

PROMISE OF DISCLOSURES

MR. WILENTZ SCOFFS

(Special to "Telegraph")

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Flemington, Jan. 6.
The State Attorney-General, Mr. Wilentz, who is prosecuting Bruno Hauptmann, charged with kidnapping and murdering the Lindbergh baby, to-day commented upon the promise made by the defence counsel, Mr. Edward Reilly, that he would name the real kidnappers of the child during the trial.

"Mr. Reilly's promise to name the actual kidnappers is an uninteresting bed-time story," said Mr. Wilentz.

The mystery was solved when officers of the Department of Justice and police arrested Hauptmann.

It is recalled, however, that the defence has been investigating the kidnapping on its own account, and as long as two months ago Hauptmann's counsel announced that he was prepared to name the real culprits. Mr. Reilly's further information in this connection is eagerly awaited.—*United Press.*

ITALIAN AMBASSADOR

Shanghai, Jan. 7.
Signor Lejona, Vincenzo, the first Italian Ambassador to China, is arriving here to-day on board the ss. Conte Rosso. A Chinese official delegation has been sent here by the Nanking Foreign Office to extend a welcome to him.—*Central News.*

AUSTRIAN PLOTTERS ARRESTED

ATTEMPT TO SLAY VON STARHEMBERG

INNOCENT VICTIM

(Special to "Telegraph")

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Vienna, Jan. 6.
The capital has been startled by an abortive attempt upon the life of Prince von Starhemberg, the vice-Chancellor and leader of the Heimwehr.

Two Communists were arrested near Aspern aerodrome to-day after they had fired on an open car in which they believed Prince von Starhemberg was riding. They confessed that they had attempted to kill the young patriot.

The two men lay in ambush at noon, when the big, powerful touring car swept out of the aerodrome, with one officer riding in the back seat, the hidden gunmen opened fire. Their shots took effect.

The car's passenger was a Heimwehr officer named Sello, and his wounds are serious. But Prince Starhemberg had not driven in the car that day. Ordinarily, it was his habit to travel by this machine to and from the aerodrome and on business in Vienna.—*United Press.*

Speeding Mails To Europe

MOSCOW'S AIR LINK WITH VLADIVOSTOK

Tientsin, Jan. 6.

A message from Vladivostok states that a regular air mail service between Moscow and Vladivostok has been inaugurated and as its inauguration is coincident with the resumption of Chinese postal service to Manchuria it will afford better facilities for the transmission of Europe-bound mail from China, via Siberia.

The Chinese postal authorities announced in the meantime that they have no intention of abolishing the existing postal route to Sinkiang Province—the Sinkiang-Suiyuen Highway—despite the availability of the Siberian route consequent upon the resumption of the Chinese postal service to Manchuria, because it is felt that the Sinkiang-Suiyuen route is more economical in time and in transport charges.—*Central News.*

ALARM IN KWEICHOW

RED ADVANCE WORRIES BANKS

Shanghai, Jan. 7.

There is a panic among the Kweichow bankers over the unprecedented depreciation of the Kweichow provincial bank notes.

Prominent Kweichow merchants are appealing to the Nanking Government to send further troops from Hunan and Kwangsi to check the Communist advance on Kweichow, the capital of Kweichow.

Owing to the proximity of the Communists to the Kweichow capital considerable apprehension prevails in banking circles at Kweichow, where Government bonds dropped heavily with a corresponding gain in premium of Shanghai paper currency.

From Chungking comes the report that a similar condition prevails in Szechuen where the authorities estimate that there are 800,000 destitute in the Communist devastated areas. Merchants at Chungking have appropriated \$240,000 for relief and are appealing to the Nanking Finance Ministry for more contributions.



Dr. Hu Shih, noted Chinese philosopher and Dean of the Faculty of Fine Arts at the Peking University, who is to-day having conferred on him the LL.D. degree by the University of Hongkong. (Photo: Far Eastern Pictorial Correspondents).

GUILDS' DEMAND REFUSED

SHIP OWNERS WON'T SIGN

AGREEMENT IMPOSSIBLE

While the China Coast Officers' Guild and the Marine Engineers of China Guild were holding a joint extraordinary meeting this afternoon, the owners of six of the vessels tied up by the waterfront strike decided that they would refuse to sign the agreement for payment of "fair wages" which the guilds were attempting to enforce.

Mr. Peter Sin, representing the owners, declared after they had

MINERS BURIED BY BLAST

Frantic Efforts At Rescue

Belgrade, Jan. 6.
Five persons were killed and one seriously injured when an enormous block of lead-zinc ore crashed down upon men who had sheltered from a near-by blast in the Mitrovitz mines.

It is feared others are injured or imprisoned and rescuers are digging into the debris in the shafts at frantic speed.—*Reuter Special.*

met that they were perfectly willing to pay the "fair wage" fixed by arbitration some years ago, but that they object to signing the guilds' agreement.

This document, it is understood, contains a clause making it impossible for owners to serve 24-hour notice on officers in its employment.

Some of the owners, however, have already signed the agreement. Those who are refusing to sign control the vessels Hai Li, On Li, Anjou, Chuen Chow, Tin Sang and Lee Hong.

The reaction of the guilds is not yet known, but it is feared that this new development will mean prolongation of the strike.

ONE FORM OF INFLATION

U.S. GOVERNMENT BOND ISSUES

New York, Jan. 6.
Financial observers here point out that the sharp gain in bank deposits in 1934 resulted not only from depositors continuing to keep funds in banks instead of investing them, because of lack of confidence in business, but also reflected the number of government and municipal bond issues floated during the year. These issues, it is pointed out, built up tremendous credit resources and are one form of inflation.—*United Press.*

ONE DEATH IN WRECK OF HAVANA

PASSENGERS PICKED UP

MASTER STILL ON SHIP

(Special to "Telegraph")

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Washington, Jan. 6.
The master of the Ward liner Havana, hard ashore on Manzanillo Shoals, off Jupiter, Florida, is remaining aboard his vessel but all passengers have been disembarked in lifeboats and picked up by rescue ships which hurried to the scene.

A radio message from the wrecked ship, of the same line as the ill-fated Morro Castle which burned with terrible loss of life off the New Jersey coast some months ago, states that all passengers are safe. There were 51 aboard, and a crew of 120.

The steamship El Oceano picked up the passengers and crew of four lifeboats.

HEAVY SEAS

An earlier message said that a portion of the passengers of the Havana were still aboard, while others had been safely taken into the ship's boats.

These boats were pulling for shelter through a heavy sea and a strong easterly wind, it was revealed, but there was no particular apprehension for their safety. Rescue ships were nearing the scene of the wreck.—*United Press.*

It is now learned that one passenger of the Havana died of apoplexy, but the remaining fifty were safely transferred to rescue steamers.

The captain of the wrecked steamer, and 85 of the crew, remain aboard the vessel, though she is leaking badly and is hard on the reef.—*United Press.*

S'hai Market More Active

GOLD BAR EXPORTS REPORT DENIED

(Special to "Telegraph")

Shanghai, Jan. 7.
The Foreign Exchange Market here is much more active to-day than on Saturday.

Local currency was easy at the opening, owing to reports that the Central Bank of China had exported 5,000 gold bars. These reports, which were published in Japanese morning newspapers here to-day, were denied by the authorities.—*United Press.*

LATER

Shanghai, Jan. 7.
The Foreign Exchange Market was steadier at mid-morning but very dull.

Gold bar trading continued on an erratic plane but bars were weaker after the earlier report of bar exports by the Central Bank had been thoroughly discredited.

From a source usually very reliable, the *United Press* heard that the recent drastic decline in gold bars is largely the result of the operations of two important speculators. These two speculators are said to have been selling bars "short" in large volume in the expectation of obtaining large change-over payments from traders who are "long." At the same time, they are hedging by buying foreign exchange.

Some observers here predict that the January 15 change-over may possibly be as high as \$30.—*United Press.*

CLOSING REPORT

Shanghai, Jan. 7.
The Foreign Exchange market closed steady and dull without any special features.—*United Press.*

SHANGHAI CURRENCY
Shanghai, January 7.
It is expected that local currency is most likely to weaken materially due to reports received that the United States is willing to modify the silver purchase plan in order to assist China.—*United Press.*

FRANCO-ITALIAN PACT ASSURED

GERMAN ADHERENCE QUESTIONABLE

OBSTACLE OF COLONIAL POLICY OVERCOME

(By Telegraph. Copyright, Telegraphic Messages Ordinance, 1894. Received, Jan. 7, 8 a.m.)

Rome, Jan. 6.
It is authoritatively stated that Signor Mussolini of Italy and M. Laval of France have agreed upon the terms of a general consultative pact, which will be open to signature by other nations. The terms of the Pact, which includes an agreement for the preservation of Austria's independence, have already been forwarded to London and Berlin, says the *United Press*.

The conversations lasted from 10 until one o'clock, and the Austrian independence question was definitely settled, semi-official sources state. However, differences still exist between the two nations respecting Franco-Italian colonial relations. It is hoped that these will be smoothed out to-morrow.—*Reuter.*

FRENCH NAVAL VIEWS

BUT NEW TREATY PLAN NEEDED

RESTRICTIONS DESIRED

(Special to "Telegraph")

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Washington, Jan. 6.
It is learned that M. Andre La Boulaye, French Ambassador at Washington, delivered on Saturday to the Secretary of State the French acknowledgment of the United States' note reporting Japan's renunciation of the Washington Treaty.

The French reply contained an explanation of France's position.

It is learned that France expressed the hope that limitation of naval armaments would continue, although France feels that the form, at least, of the present restrictions should be changed.

The present system, curtails French building to an extent which leaves her navy below continental requirements.—*United Press.*

"WAY IS PAVED"

New York, Jan. 6.
On his arrival from London, accompanied by Admiral Standley, Mr. Norman Davis, America's chief delegate to the naval conversations, said the London talks had "paved the way" for a later meeting.

"Then we can reach an agreement. That's all I can hope for. The conference was neither a success nor a failure, but it was a frank exchange of views," he said.

There were the friendliest of feelings between the delegates attending, Mr. Davis added.—*Reuter.*

CONFUSING COURSE OF RECOVERY

PROFESSOR FISHER'S CRITICISM

Cleveland, Jan. 6.
Professor Irving Fisher, in an address delivered here to-day, declared that the monetary policies of the Roosevelt Administration are working but that the National Recovery Administration and the Agricultural Adjustment Administration, and other agencies of the federal government are making more complex the problems that must be solved before economic recovery can be achieved.—*United Press.*

COMPLETE AGREEMENT

Rome, Jan. 7.
A complete agreement on all questions discussed at the meeting of Signor Mussolini and M. Laval yesterday and early to-day, including those encountered in colonial policy spheres, was reached early this morning.

"We shall sign to-morrow," said M. Laval after the meeting.

The statesmen met at the French Embassy, where the French Ambassador gave a reception yesterday evening.—*Reuter.*

FOUR DOCUMENTS

Paris, Jan. 6.
The four documents embodying the texts of agreements to be reached at Rome and to be signed by M. Laval and Signor Mussolini to-morrow, comprise the following:

1. A statement recording the identity of the Franco-Italian views on their principal problems and general policy;
2. A joint recommendation to neighboring and the succession states of the old Austro-Hungarian monarchy to conclude a convention to respect the frontiers as they exist and to agree not to intervene in Austrian affairs;
3. A consultative pact in which France and Italy undertake to consult together if the independence of Austria is threatened (Germany, Hungary, Czechoslovakia, Yugoslavia, Poland and Rumania are invited to join in this pact);
4. A convention regulating colonial problems in Northern Africa.

PUBLICATION DELAYED

It is expected that only the first document will be published immediately and the others will be issued later, possibly, with protocols harmonizing the attitudes of France and Italy with regard to certain special problems of foreign policy.—*Reuter.*

EARLIER OBSTACLES

Rome, Jan. 6.
A sharp struggle is progressing between Signor Mussolini and M. Laval over the cession of African territory to Italy.

The two statesmen met for three hours yesterday and for two to-day and wrestled amicably, but determinedly, supported by their African experts.

Italy's claims are based upon the promise of African concessions given to Italy by Britain and France when Italy entered the War in 1915.

The Colonial questions are divided under four headings:

1. For how many generations are Italians in Tunisia entitled to retain their nationality;
2. With regard to the territory south of Italian Libya, the Italians want land south of the Tiber; but the French propose

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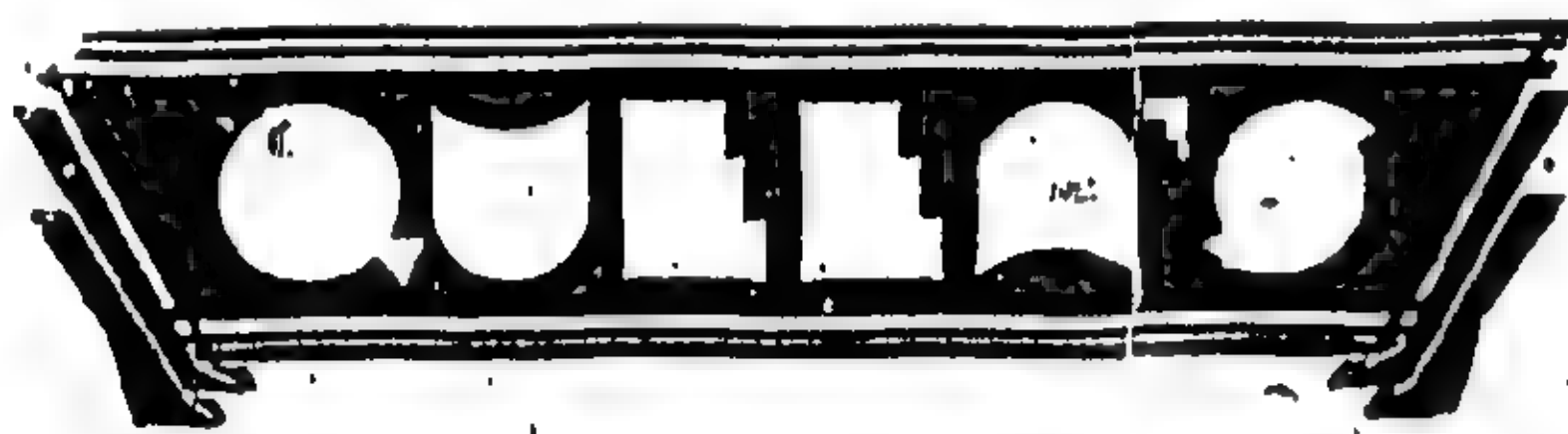
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FILMLAND NEWS

Life of British
Song-Writer

"G.B." VENTURE

For some years the project of a film centring on the late Leslie Stuart has been afoot in several directions, and in more than one instance has reached preparation and research stage.

Musical copyright difficulties have now finally been smoothed out and Gaumont British have now acquired the cream of the famous numbers.

An original story, with Stuart as the central character, is now well advanced, and the casting is already being considered. Robert Donat, lately in Hollywood in "The Count of Monte Cristo," may play the role of Leslie Stuart.

The director will be Jack Raymond, by arrangement with British and Dominions.

Leslie Stuart was the writer of such famous songs as "Soldiers of the Queen," and "Lily of Laguna."

TRADE FOLLOWS THE FILM

Films with a world-wide appeal are the best salesmen any country can possess, declares Arthur Kelly, vice-president of the United Artists Corporation, who has returned to America after a tour which has included Europe, India, Australia, New Zealand, China and Japan.

He asserts that American manufacturers and exporters owe Hollywood a debt of gratitude "for opening up, again and again, new markets for their goods. It is impossible to over-estimate the influence of films in stimulating international trade."

Business representatives abroad of American firms assured him that, as more people see a popular film in a week than can be reached by 1000 salesmen in a year, the result is an eager demand for goods from the country in which the film was produced.

FILMING THE "SUPER-CONSCIOUS"

Meher Baba, the Indian spiritual leader who claims to be the next Messiah, and who is observing a vow of seven years' silence, is to supervise the making of a talking film in America. He left Bombay recently in the liner Tuscania for the United States.

His personal experience during a "Communion with God," which he claims to have had "while in a state of super-consciousness," will be featured in the film, which, under the title "How It Happened," will portray the past, present, and future of mankind.

Meher Baba will not act in the film himself, but will supervise its production. British and American actors will compose the cast, with the assistance of a few Indian actors.

The self-styled Messiah's declared mission is to break down all divisions of religions, Churches, and creeds, merging all into a common religion of love.

ROTHA'S UNUSUAL FILM

A film of considerable topical interest is showing at Home just now. This is "Contact," a description of Imperial Airways, with particular reference to the routes to South Africa and India.

The film was directed by Paul Rotha, a writer who has made an important contribution to film criticism and is the author of such books as "The Film Till Now" and "Celluloid." "Contact" is his first major work as a film director, though he had previously directed several poster films. He has since directed "Rising Tide," an account of the Southampton Dock, and spent some months in Scotland

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WASHING GLOVES

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this summer shooting material for a new film on electricity.

Describing his journey on the two great Empire routes to India and to South Africa, Rotha wrote that it was completed on ordinary service machines running to normal schedules. "No special facilities for camera-work were available. No automatic cameras were tied to the under-carriage. Opportunities had to be seized as they occurred. The twenty-two thousand miles were completed in twelve weeks and two days—one day over schedule, which in itself is a justification for the making of the film."

Full advantage is taken in the film of the opportunities of obtaining bird's-eye views, and the route unfolds strikingly from new approaches. There are also several ground sequences in Africa during which the camera looks up at the aeroplane soaring overhead, passing old barriers of sea and mountain and taking continents in its stride. The general aim of the film is to give an impression of a world united by a network of airways.

One Party Government Continues

CHINA MUST PUT HOUSE IN ORDER

LONG-DELAYED REFORMS

Nanking, Dec. 26.

Postponement for a second time of the Nationalist Party Congress which was to have held at the capital during November not only delays the end of the one-party system but also the establishment of a permanent form of government for the Republic of China.

Five years ago the Kuomintang set 1935 as the year in which it would terminate its period of political tutelage and give to the people a constitution guaranteeing to them the political rights and privileges enjoyed by citizens of the democratic nations of the Occident. The Fourth Kuomintang Congress was held in 1931. According to party regulations, the next general congress should have been convened in 1933. But uncertainties in both the internal and foreign political situation prompted a year's postponement. General expectations were disappointed a few weeks before the scheduled opening date in November by the announcement that the congress would not sit until the completion of the anti-Communist campaign in central China. The official explanation for the postponement failed to give the real reason: the failure of the Nanking Party headquarters to secure the effective participation of the southern Kuomintang faction which would assure the co-operation essential for the execution of decisions of the congress.

LONG DELAY

The fifth plenary session of the Kuomintang Central Executive Committee, which concluded its deliberations at Nanking on December 14, set November 12, 1935, as the date for the opening of the Fifth Congress. Hence, the draft constitution which must receive the approval of a party congress before being submitted to a national peoples' convention cannot receive approval before the end of 1935, and the elaborate and difficult preparations for the constitutional convention are unlikely to be completed before the spring of 1936.

In its present form, the draft constitution guarantees to the people of China freedom of speech, religious worship, political organization and social practice under a centralized government headed by a president, whose powers would be broader than those exercised by the chief executive of the United States of America in times of emergency.

For more than seven years the Kuomintang has exercised its self-given right of caring for China's political needs. That the party is going to be willing to relinquish this sole right of political organization by 1935 and become one of several parties now appears unlikely. Before this important step can be taken, the Kuomintang must put its own house in order, and bring together leaders and factions whose animosities have at times plunged the nation into civil war. Until this can be accomplished government of and by one faction of the Kuomintang will continue. United Press.

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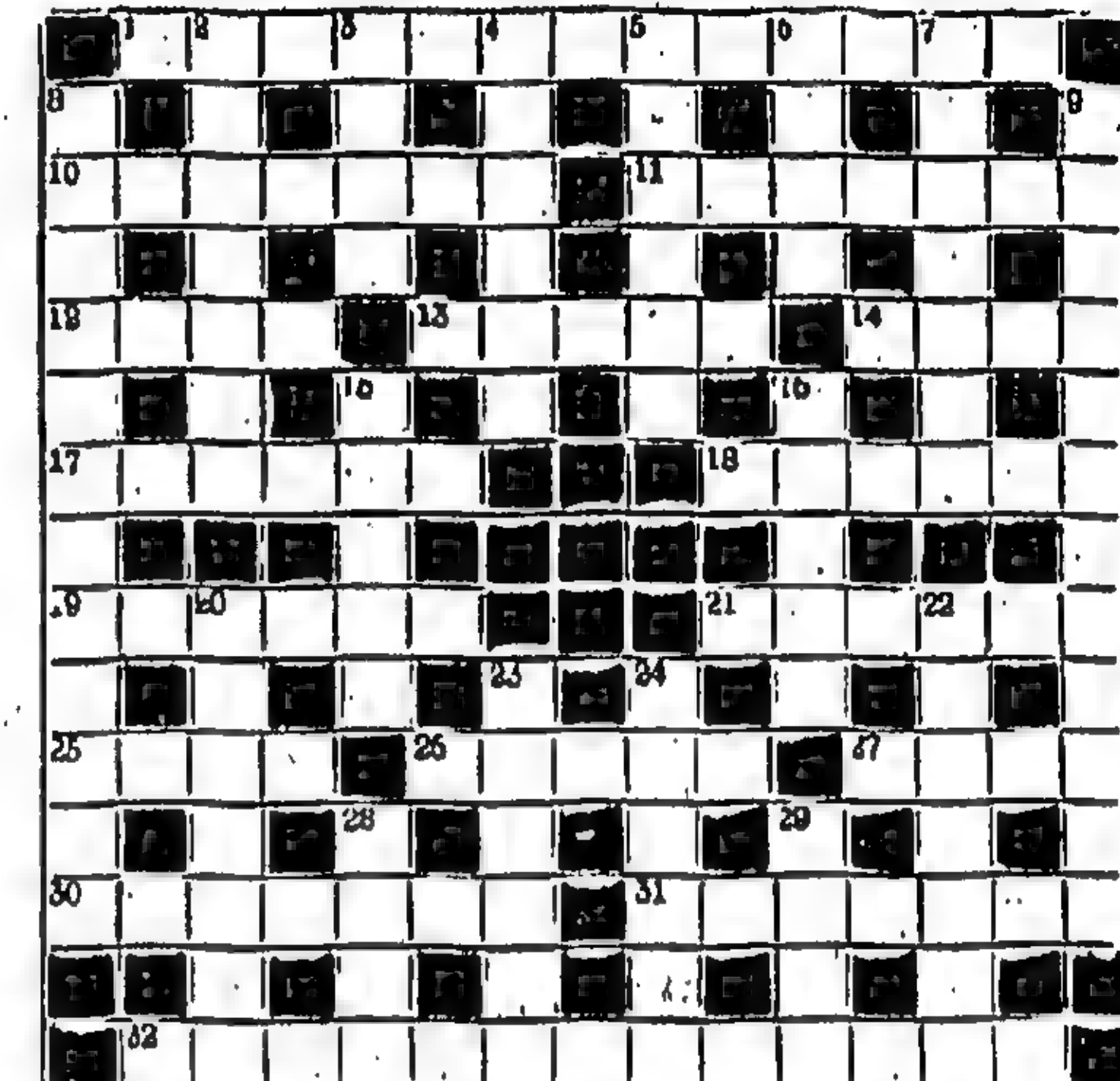
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- 13 The complaint about the beast is that it is poisonous.
- 14 Rock hidden in the Villa Yvonne.
- 17 The foreigners who took part in Somali enslavement.
- 18 Five to one.
- 19 Made in a debate, but one who who does is rude.
- 21 More than a note, to exaggerate slightly.
- 25 What is quite a short distance in Winchester.
- 26 Gives many a blow at a Board meeting.
- 27 Acronyms.
- 30 Oil test (anag.).
- 31 This ship is never in dry dock.
- 32 Showing the absurdity of sense without a nose.

Down

- 2 The charm of this place in Africa is African.
- 3 Denotes the ownership that excludes outsiders.
- 4 Mother and son both doing—justice to the fruit.
- 5 May be removed—in lots, if you like.
- 6 River of no use in England.

- 7 Not in Indian file after two.
- 8 After this month has been cut, short I'm nearly all detail (two words).
- 9 Don't get excited. "In a pastime—as" out of place (anag.).
- 15 If one wishes to be correct, one is.
- 16 Riddle.
- 20 List.
- 22 Ornamental interior, church fitting with crimson centre.
- 23 Subject.
- 24 Emboss (anag.).
- 25 Sound consideration given by a hungry cat.
- 26 Scupled.

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Y.M.C.A. DEBATE

"THE FUTURE PROSPERITY OF HONGKONG"

The Y.M.C.A. Literary and Debating Society has chosen a serious but fascinating and topical subject for a debate, the first of the New Year, which will be held on Wednesday, January 9.

The motion to be put before the meeting is "That the future prosperity of Hongkong depends upon its industrial development rather than upon its entrepot trade."

Two very able speakers have promised to take leading parts in this debate. Mr. A. R. Brown will propose the motion, and Mr. W. L. Handyside will lead the opposi-

tion. There is plenty of incentive for a record attendance in the West Lounge. Lady members and friends of members are cordially invited to be present.

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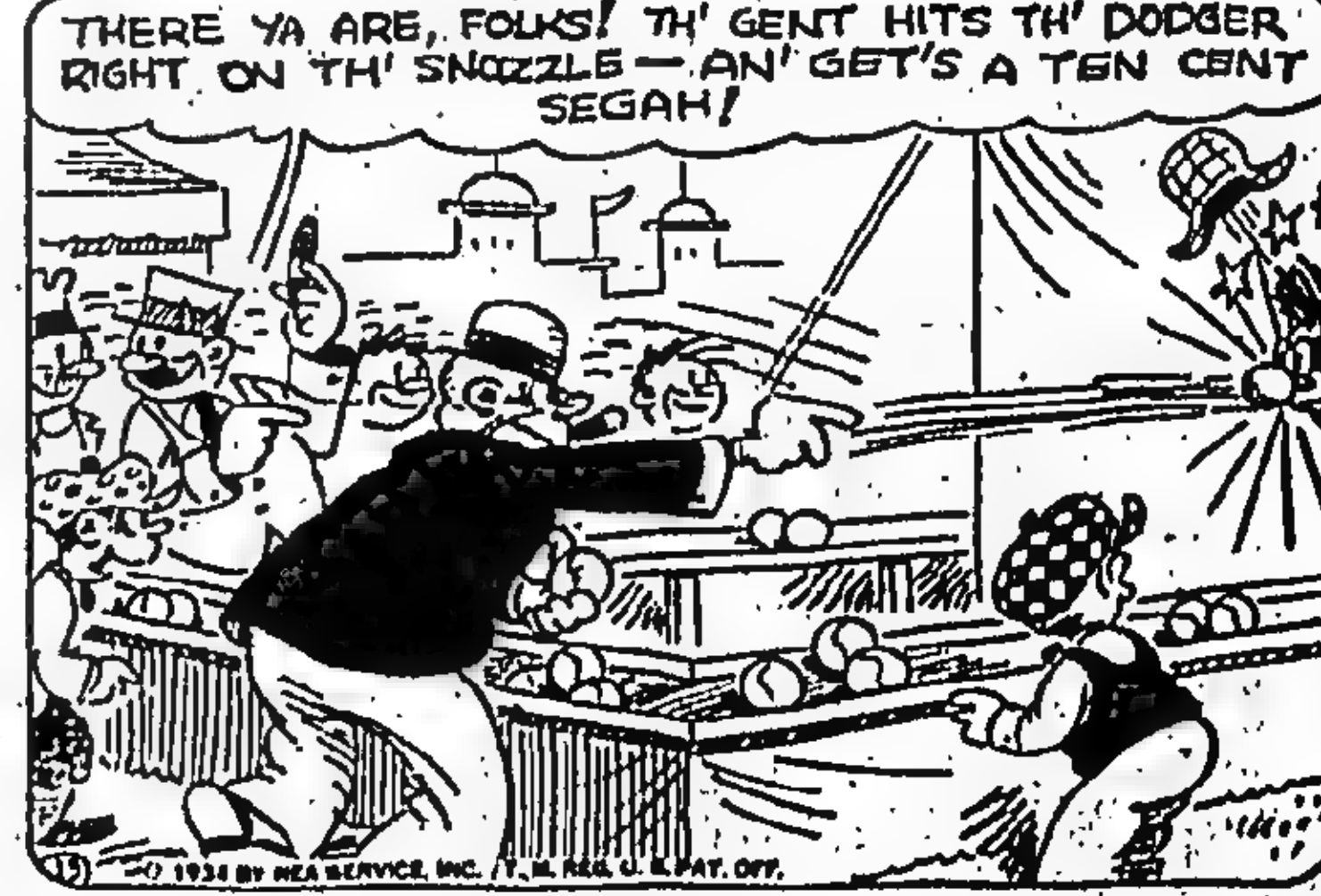
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By Major C. C. Turner

In the year just ended the Royal Air Force has flown about 47,000,000 miles. Half-way to the sun! A hundred times to the moon and back!

Yet there have been fewer serious accidents in the Service than in any year since the War. So far this year there have been 20 fatal accidents, resulting in 31 deaths, of pilots and others engaged in duty flying, including the Fleet Air arm, but not including an accident to R.A.F. officers on a civil machine hired out for private flying.

Parachutes have played an important part in saving life. Since they became standard equipment in 1926 they have saved at least 123 lives in the Air Force. The last two years are here compared:

1933, 7 saved in 6 accidents. (One other died from injuries in the fall); 1934, 14 saved in 7 accidents. (Including 4 lives and 3 lives saved in single accidents).

Last year the Air Force flew about 45,000,000 miles; and there were 39 fatal accidents, in which 64 lives were lost. On inquiry at the Air Ministry it was learned that the decreased number this year has been accompanied by an exceptionally good record as regards accidents non-fatal, but resulting in personal injuries.

The decrease, as compared with 1933, is not, however, in quite the same proportion. The figures are not available. It is rightly pointed out that a two-yearly average, rather than a year by year one, should be taken. On that basis 1933 and 1934 stand out as the best years on record.

FRANCE'S FIGURES

The French Air Forces, with twice the number of aeroplanes, flew last year not more than 38,000,000 miles. The casualties included 45 deaths.

The British Air Force mileage in 1921 was probably not more than 5,000,000, and in 1930 it was about 20,000,000. The mileage is based on hours flown, speeds, and other data. It is not an official figure, but is a close, restrained estimate.

The continuous process of re-equipment steadily increases the average speed of the Air Force. Moreover, the year's remarkably good record as regards accidents is the more striking in view of the increased flying in air exercises and manoeuvres under conditions approximating to active service.

In last year's total one accident is included in which an Air Force and a civil machine were involved. This accident, therefore, is also included in the list of civil flying accidents.

The reduction in the casualty rate is very striking when examined on the time basis. In 1921 there was one death in every 2,238 hours flown, in 1930 one

WALTZING INTO POPULARITY

Is your dancing of the 1933 or earlier vintage? Then here's your chance to modernize your steps. Arthur Murray tells how to do the latest tricks in waltzing. It's the first of a series of six illustrated articles by the famous dance-master-to-celebrities.

BY ARTHUR MURRAY

New York.—If you want to be up to the minute, learn to waltz. The revival of old-time fashions in dress and a return to more genteel mannerisms have popularized this most charming of all dance steps and you may be sure there'll be a lot of waltz music played at holiday parties and balls this year.

As a matter of fact, nothing is more beautiful than the old-fashioned waltz. To master its rhythm is to become infinitely more graceful and to get into the spirit of dancing which, after all, is important. The best dancers are the ones who love to dance. Never forget that.

For those who have learned the fundamental waltz step, there is a fun-to-do variation that I am teaching my pupils right now. Appropriately called the "Debutante Waltz," because it is youthful and rather whimsical, this dance is easy to learn.

The feature of the Debutante Waltz is the swaying of the body in the direction in which you point your foot on the hesitation step.

Start by stepping directly sideways to the left, balancing the weight on the left foot for three counts, meanwhile pointing the right foot as shown in the photograph. Then reverse, stepping to the side with the right foot for three counts, pointing the left one. Now follow the diagram.

Remember that you take a left waltz turn of three steps, and on the fourth count you step back on the right foot, holding your weight on it for three full beats. Point the left foot as you do it and let your head away toward the left.

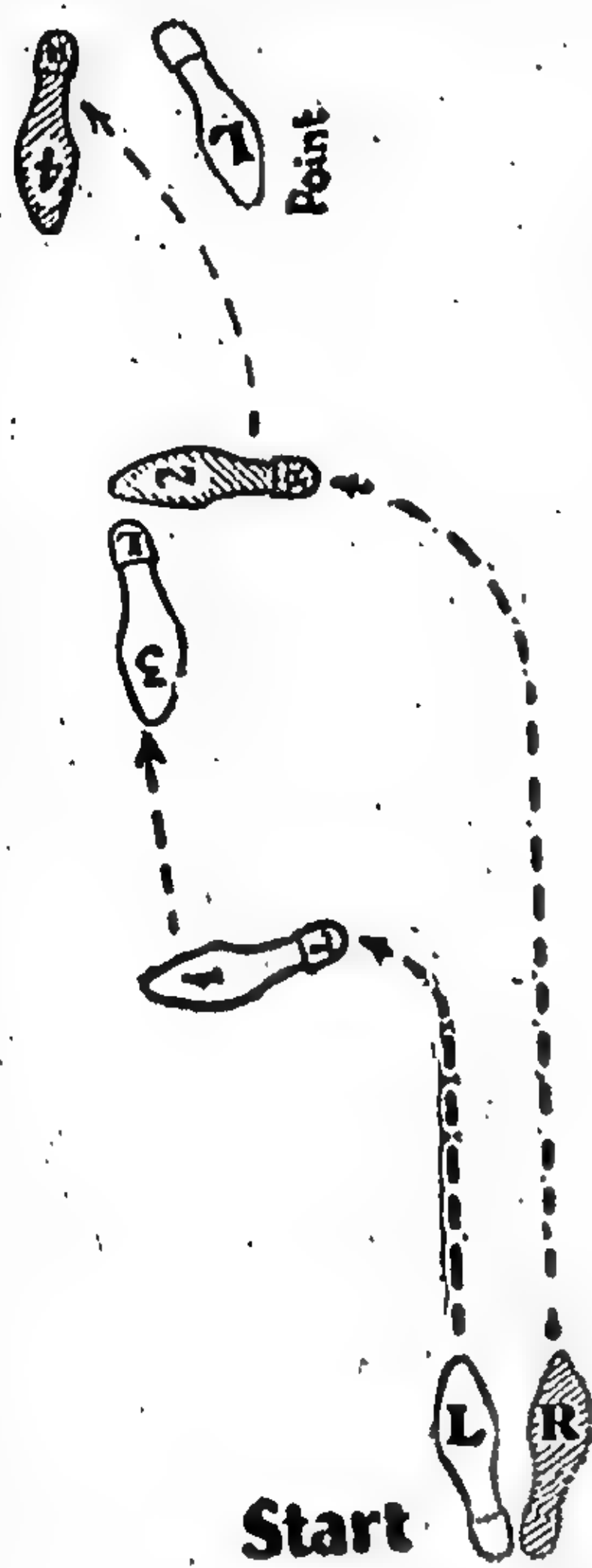


Diagram of debutante waltz, step by step:



Maurice and Cordoba show how the hesitation is executed in the debutante waltz. The gentleman steps back with the right foot, and pauses for three full beats.

The following table shows the figures of fatal accidents during the past 14 years:

	No. of	Fatal	
	accidents	Deaths	
1921	33	22	37
1922	32	34	51
1923	42½	32	46
1924	52	49	72
1925	54	41	58
1926	61	54	85
1927	63	40	57
1928	69	50	76
1929	75	31	42
1930	82	44	65
1931	85	46	75
1932	88	34	49
1933	88½	39	54
1934	93	20	31

CIVIL FLYING

The proportional casualties in civil flying cannot be shown until reports are complete as to the amount of flying done. It will probably be found that this has increased by 100 per cent., or more, during the year, for not only has Imperial Airways greatly increased its operational activities, but there are also to be taken into account: The growth of inland air lines;

A great increase in air taxi and special charter work; and A steady, but slow, increase in the number of private aeroplane owners.

The record for the past eight years is:

	Fatal accs.	Deaths
1927	6	9
1928	13	19
1929	12	33
1930	13	27
1931	12	16
1932	13	17
1933	18	43
1934	24	43

The loss of a French air liner in the Channel, and the collision of a French air liner

with an obstruction on Croydon aerodrome, are not included; nor does the list include two fatal gliding accidents. Three fatal accidents in travelling flying "circuses" are included, and one to a pilot below the permissible age for flying.

UNNECESSARY RISKS

Examination of the causes of the accidents shows very clearly that all of them could, theoretically, have been avoided, and that many of them could very easily have been avoided. Human error and the

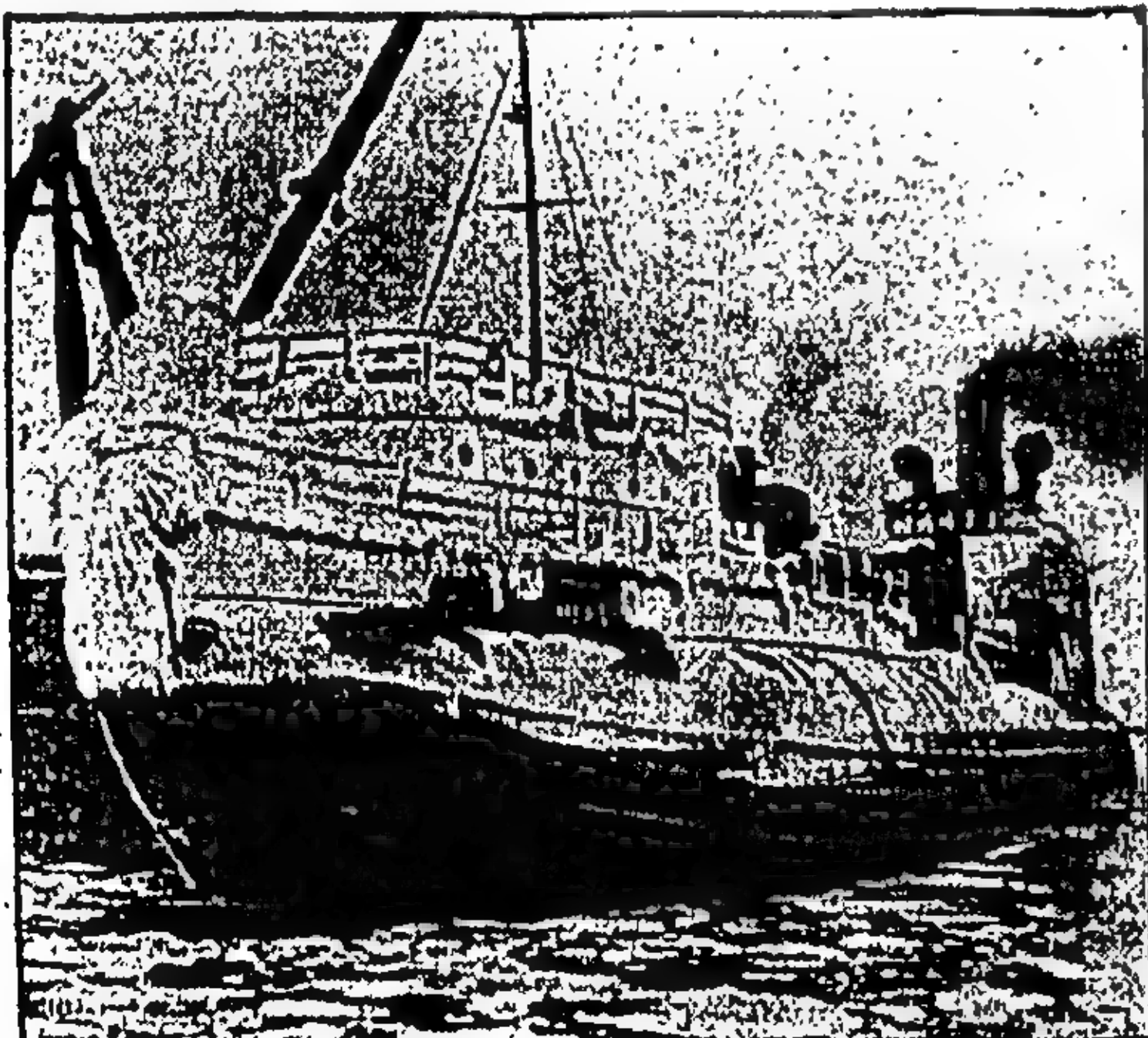
taking of unnecessary and inexcusable risks are the principal causes, as in the vast majority of road accidents.

Regulations, supervision and medical tests are steady factors, but there appears to be a need for tests which would eliminate pilots who, although skilful, are temporarily disposed on occasion to be indiscreet.

On the walls of some of the flying clubs is seen the excellent reminder: "It is better to be an old pilot than the best pilot."



Chess champions of Harbin and Shanghai were matched at the Russian Chess Club, Shanghai recently, when the local master, D. V. Poliakoff conquered L. K. Trofimoff, the visiting player. A large crowd of members watched a lively contest.



Wrecked in the worst blizzard on the Great Lakes since 1929, the Henry Cort, 2394-ton whaleback freighter, was beached, a gaping hole in her bow, in Muskegon, Mich., harbour, after one man had died in a rescue attempt and the crew of 25 narrowly escaped death in the storm lashed waters of Lake Michigan. The Cort, ice-beached, is shown here as she appeared after a late-season trip to Milwaukee.



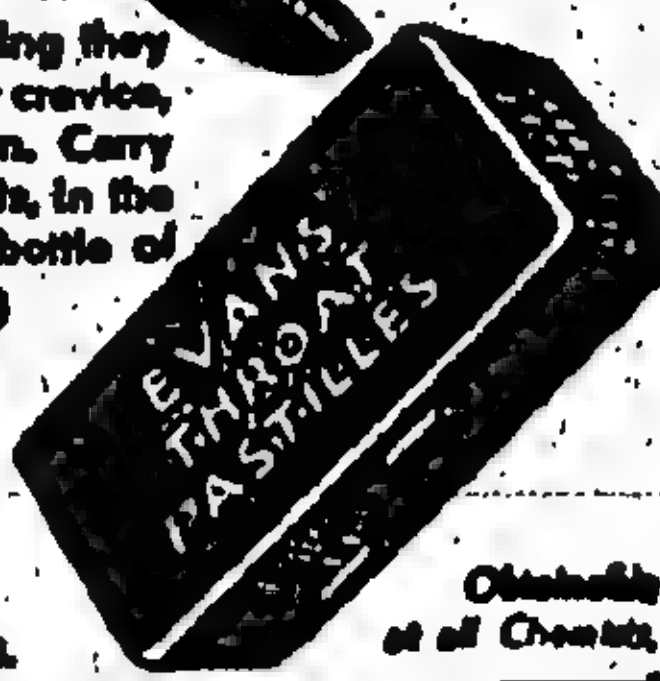
Grim evidence of the war being waged in Mexico against the Roman Catholic church is given in this picture, taken in a village in Chiapas state, where the campaign is most relentless. Twenty Indians were shot down in front of their church in Huixtla, alone, and scores of others were victims in other towns. Here the mob in a parade to the execution place carries images, relics and religious ornaments, including a large crucifix, shown at right, from a pillaged church, to be burned.

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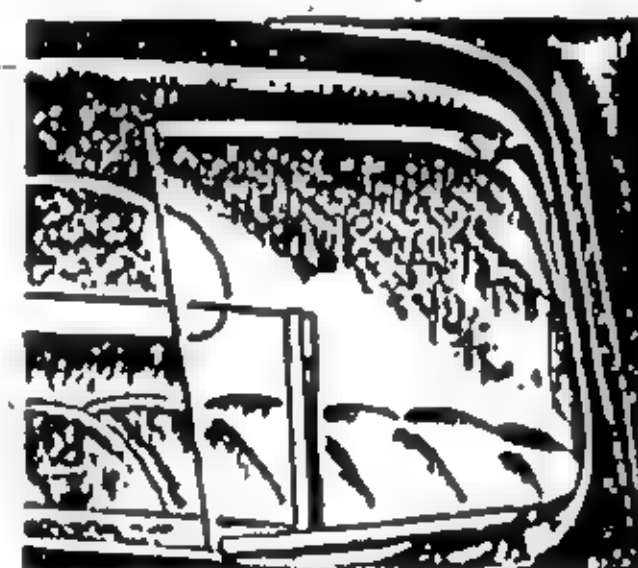
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SATURDAY BRIDE

MISS CHRISTINA PONG
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A prominent Chinese wedding of much social interest took place on Saturday afternoon at the Hongkong Union Church when Miss Christina Pong and Mr. George Sukay Lau were married. The Rev. E. G. Powell officiating at the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. Pong Tso-ching, well-known Chinese merchant, and Mrs. Pong. The bridegroom is the only son of Mrs. Lau Suk-chek.

The bride, who entered the Church on the arm of her father, wore a white wedding gown and carried a prayer-book. She was attended by the Misses Lukmai Luk, Lily Luk, Gloria Mok and Margaret Chan as bridesmaids. Little Miss Li Yuk-moi and Master Chau Kai-yin were flower girl and page boy.

The duties of best man were carried out by Dr. Lee Ching-wa who was assisted by Messrs. Kenneth Pong,

CHINESE BANDITS

IRREGULARS CREATE HAVOC
INSIDE GREAT WALL

Peking, Jan. 6.

A big group of irregular troops under the command of Liu Kwel-tang rushed into Melyun District from outside the Great Wall yesterday and indulged in pillage and burning wherever they visited. Government troops are being rushed to suppress them.

Another group of irregulars, belonging to the same command, is being engaged with the Manchukuo troops outside the Great Wall.

—Central News Agency.

Larry Ko and K. T. Cheng as Ushers. After the wedding ceremony, a reception was held at the Gloucester Buildings where the many friends of the happy couple gathered to toast their future happiness.

The honeymoon is being spent outside the Colony.

INDECENT ASSAULT ALLEGED

COOLIES FACE THREE CHARGES

Chan Chol-yip and Leung Wing, both coolies, the latter in the Botanical and Forestry Department, were this morning charged before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Central Magistracy, with disorderly conduct by fighting and using insulting words at Queen's Road, West; indecently assaulting Tse Yau, 20, widow; and entering the first floor of No. 346A Queen's Road West, for an unlawful purpose.

Defendants pleaded not guilty to all the charges.

Inspector Fender said that about 8.30 p.m. yesterday the complainant was walking along Queen's Road West, near Centre Street, when the first defendant accosted her, threw his arms around her and indecently assaulted her. The second defendant was also alleged to have put his arms around her and also assaulted her indecently. The complainant broke away and ran to No. 346A Queen's Road West, first floor. The defendants and others followed her, and when they were not allowed to get into the premises they broke down the door, doing damage to the value of \$10. Police whistles were blown, and the first defendant was arrested on the premises, and the second defendant later. The first defendant alleged that the complainant was a prostitute, and that he went to the premises for the purpose of getting a prostitute. The complainant also alleged that the second defendant asked her for \$10.

In evidence, complainant said the defendants first assaulted her in the street, and then on the staircase. The defendants passed her in the street, and the second defendant passed a remark, saying, "Do you love me or not? am I not handsome enough?" They then assaulted her, and she went to the house. They followed and assaulted her again on the staircase. The second defendant threw his arms around her, and said that if she refused to marry him, she must pay him \$10. The hearing was adjourned at this stage until noon on Thursday.

U.S. CREDIT INFLATION

IMPETUS GIVEN BY
HEAVY SPENDING

Washington, Jan. 5.
Credit inflation will be given additional impetus by this Congress through big spendings and an unbalanced budget.

Currency inflation is unlikely. The effects of inflation in high commodity prices and stimulated business activity will not be conspicuously in evidence before 1936.

The President's insistence on the strict regulation of public utility holding companies makes for a poor profit outlook. A compromise Bonus Bill is likely to pass. It will not be paid in greenbacks.

We expect the enactment of Federal regulation on all main transport facilities which will be mildly helpful to the railroads. We expect no inflationary Government central bank legislation.

Many bills will be introduced in Congress, which are unlikely to pass the committee stage.

Business improvement in 1935 will be very moderate. It should be slightly better than 1934.

—Swan, Culbertson and Fritz.

The Health bulletin of Eastern ports for the week ended December 29 shows the following cases of infectious diseases: Plague—Basselin 1 case, Cholera—Basselin 4 cases, Calcutta 49 cases, Madras 8 cases, Canton 4 cases, Smell-pox—Bombay 5 cases, Calcutta 14 cases, Madras 2 cases, Naganpatam 10 cases, Rangoon 2 cases, Tournai 3 cases, Macao 15 cases, Shanghai 2 cases. Typhus—Port Said 1 case.

CORRESPONDENCE

New Territories Produce

The Editor,
Hongkong Telegraph

Sir,—In the summer of last year a great deal of attention was focussed in the New Territories of Hongkong through questions in the Legislative Council and correspondence and leading articles in the Press, culminating in the appointment of a Committee by His Excellency the Governor to go into the question of pig breeding and poultry raising in the Territories. There subsequently appeared a report of the Committee which disappointed, aroused hardly any comment from the general public with the notable exception of one section of the Press. The inertia thus exhibited by the public is no new feature of the interest in public affairs taken by the community.

The dwindling numbers of Europeans attending the New Territories Annual Agricultural Show at its opening on Saturday is yet another evidence of the apathy of the local community. But despite this apathy, a few enthusiasts continue their efforts to increase the supply of the essentials and necessities of life on the Mainland. There could be no excuse for so small a number of Europeans who attended the opening ceremony on Saturday. The afternoon was an ideal one in point of weather, and the display of vegetables, fruits, cereals and roots should have aroused interest from Europeans both in Hongkong and at Kowloon. If there had been a large attendance the small farmers of the New Territories would have been given greater encouragement and support which even these modest citizens of the Colony would have appreciated and which would have been interpreted as a gratifying gesture to the efforts put forth by the few enthusiasts among the promoters and workers of this Annual show.

There was a variety of foreign vegetables on show embracing no less than 28 classes, from round, red, content and sunny cabbages to lucifer lettuce (cos), French beans, cauliflower, carrots, beet and the ubiquitous potato that prompted the suggestion from Lady Peel in furtherance of the idea of the consumption of Empire food on Empire Day in the Colony.

Six shows were devoted to exhibiting Chinese green vegetables, of which there were 23 classes. These vegetables, in the words contained in the "Foreword" of the Schedule of Exhibits, presented by the Chairman of the Agricultural Association (the Rev. H. B. Wells, O.B.E.), "are very succulent and tasty." Mr. Wells adds that "a little knowledge of their goodness and value would help to increase trade in the Territories." It is in this very help which could be most useful were it forthcoming that it is my endeavour to stimulate by this letter to the Press—a service that, again in the words of Mr. Wells, "may be rendered by everyone and would probably be a blessing to him that buys as well as to him that sells."

Several specimens of cotton and of the fibre in holes prompt the question: Why is it that cotton cultivation on a commercial scale is not attempted? Our industrialists and capitalists may find it profitable to give the question a thought.

I have completed a thorough inspection of the exhibits on the various stalls, and become more convinced than ever that the New Territories can be made to yield the produce of the soil to the advantage of Hongkong's inhabitants in general and to the benefit of the farmers in particular, on the way back to Kowloon. I continued a most exhilarating motor-car ride on the beautiful roads of the New Territories, in company with members of my family. On the way, I had one of several visits to the Leghorn Farm of Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Chan. Received by the proprietors of this model farm with their usual hospitality, it was with infinite pleasure that I was conducted over the extensive grounds to be shown by the owner the results of the hard experience in vegetable and fruit growing within his beautiful farm in the San Tin district.

I would strongly recommend all residents of Hongkong and Kowloon who take even the smallest interest in the Colony to pay a visit to the Sunny Farm before the close of the season, and there await the pleasant surprise that will be presented to them by the splendid collection of vegetable products—not to speak of the magnificent poultry yards—which are the fruit of the farm. The yield of cabbages, cabbage lettuce, tomatoes and lettuce forms a combination of variety of classes and excellence of quality that is difficult to believe has been grown in the New Territories with Chinese labour under skilful expert Chinese direction such as Mr. Chan himself possesses. I challenge any contradiction that the produce of the San Tin district can be beaten by any imported article into the Colony. Mr. Chan has given the lie direct to the dubbing of the produce would have us believe that the soil of the New Territories cannot be made to produce in quantity or quality that should find a ready market within the Colony itself. Mr. Chan's one complaint is that the efforts which produce excellent results are not rewarded by consumers who would benefit very largely were support to be accorded to experimenters in vegetable gardening on a commercial scale on the Mainland.

Rightly enough, luscious strawberries might be considered a rare delicacy in the Colony. But for those who can afford the price and are willing to pay it, strawberries raised under blameless hygienic conditions, perfect in their growth and excellent in their flavour, if purchased would be a convincing argument that New Territories soil when properly "doctored" can be made to produce even so rare a delicacy as strawberries of very fine quality.

A year ago, when I had the pleasure of visiting the Sunny Farm, it contained some two thousand white leghorns. Last week when I enjoyed another visit to the farm the number of buildings, scientifically laid out within the grounds, had increased considerably, and the care bestowed on the birds had achieved gratifying results in the stock had increased from two thousand to three thousand head, with a special yard for a breed of turkey that is a new feature of the undertaking. In a letter in the Press not so long ago Mr. Chan informs us that he is marketing his white leghorn eggs through the services of Messrs. Lane Crawford & Co. Patrons of this product of his farm have no reason to complain that they have not been receiving good value for their money. Residents of the Colony can show their appreciation by a larger patronage that might rightfully be claimed by the Sunny Farm.

To remove any doubt, let it be stated that I have no direct or indirect interest in the success of Mr. Chan's deserving enterprise. My interest is limited to the claim which all local industries have on us here.

To conclude, is it too much to appeal to the public for support of the laudable efforts which Chinese growers of the necessities of life are exerting in the pursuit of their duty avocation to provide more produce of the soil for consumption by our inhabitants? It should be borne in mind that not only will a public delicacy be rendered in the assistance which the farmers of the New Territories are entitled to expect from us, but that we shall be promoting our individual interest in the protection which we shall be affording ourselves were the unfortunate condition to be again created as on the occasion when Hongkong found its supplies from abroad of green produce cut off through an unfeeling act which it was the painful experience of Hongkong's inhabitants to suffer in the past.

J. P. BRAGA.

U.S. Considers Joining Hague World Court

CONFERENCE AT
WHITE HOUSE

POLICY STILL
UNCERTAIN

Washington, Jan. 6.
A three-hour conference, on the question of America's adherence to the World Court at The Hague, was held at the White House to-day between President Roosevelt, Mr. Anyre, Assistant Secretary of State, Senator Pittman and other Senate leaders.

Subsequently, Senator Robinson, of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, predicted that the resolution would take up the question of adherence to the Court on Wednesday and would recommend to the Senate its early consideration.

Some of those who attended the conference, however, indicated that President Roosevelt's plan to ask Congress next week to adopt a resolution for adherence to the Court, has been abandoned.

TERRORISTS IN CUBA

BOMBS THROWN
IN HAVANA

(Special to "Telegraph")

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Havana, Jan. 6.
Terrorists have gone into action in Cuba again and many bomb outrages have occurred in different parts of the city.

Among other places, the home of the Customs Administrator, Senor Alberto Bello, was wrecked.

Bombs were thrown in the Legation district, also, and minor damage was done. The Argentine Legation is the only one to have moved, and it has been taken to a suburban residence.

So far no casualties have been reported.—United Press.

SOME DRIZZLE

The anticyclone remains stationary and has weakened considerably. Pressure is highest over the Lower Yangtze. Local forecast: N. E. winds, moderate; cloudy, some drizzle or light rain.

The third meeting of the present session of the Leghorn Association will be held in the Helena May Institute to-morrow, January 8, at 6.30 p.m. Mr. M. F. Key, who recently returned from leave, is going to speak on William de Morgan, the XIXth century novelist. De Morgan, whose life and work are equally interesting, is less well known than he should be, perhaps owing to the length of his novels. But he has a small but select group of admirers, and those who hear Mr. Key will probably be added to their number.

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POLICE RESERVE ORDERS FOR CURRENT WEEK

Orders by the Hon. Mr. T. H. King, Inspector General of Police, state: Chinese Company Inspection Parade.—All ranks of the Chinese Company will parade at Central Police Station on Thursday, January 10th, at 17.30 hours under Sub-Inspector R. J. Hunt for a general inspection of equipment etc., by the Company Commander. Dress—Blue Uniform, Cap with White Cover, Belt with Bruce, Armband with Badge, "Pocket Policeman" and notebook to be carried. The Equipment Officer will make it a point of being present. Emergency Unit Reserve Riot Drill.—A Riot Drill will be carried out by members of the Emergency Unit Reserve on Friday, January 11th. Members will parade at No. 2 Police Station at 7.15 hours sharp. Dress—Optional.
D. L. King,
D. S. P. (R).

MANILA STOCK EXCHANGE PHILIPPINE GOLD SHARE QUOTATIONS

To-day's quotations as received by Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz shortly after the close of the morning session of the Manila Stock Exchange are as follows:—
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Antamok Goldfields 0.73 0.71 0.71 20000
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Gold River 0.18 0.17 0.18 10000
Ips Gold Mining 0.55 0.54 — —
Isosun Mining Co. 0.11 0.12 — —
Ranarot Mining Co. 0.11 0.12 — —
Super Consolidated 0.22 0.20 0.21 10000
United Tarnaco 0.28 0.27 0.28 1000
S. C. A. F. Gold share Index 71.9. Market steady. Volume Pesos 78,000.

SHARE PRICES

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:—

Banks.
Hongkong Bank, \$1620 b.
H.K. Bank, (Lon. Reg.), \$188.
Chartered Bank, \$167½ n.
Mercantile Bank, A. and B. \$32 n.
Morcantile Bank Co., \$13½ n.
East of Asia Bank, \$90 n.
Anglo Siam Corp., Sh. \$20 n.
China O. Fin. Ord. Sh. \$1.80 n.
China O. Fin. Pref. Sh. \$4½ n.
Insurance.
Canton Ins., \$275 n.
Union Ins., \$512½ n.
China Underwriters, \$1.25 n.
China Fire, \$620 n.
H.K. Fire Ins., \$240 n.
Internat'l Assec. Sh. \$5.00 n.
Shipping.
Douglas, \$40 n.
H.K. Steamboats, \$7½ n.
Indo-China, (Prof.), \$30 n.
Indo-Chinas, (Def.), \$33 n.
Shells (Bearer), 48/9 n.
Union Waterboats, \$13½ n.
Mining.
Antamok, 82 cts. b.
Balatoc, \$38 b.
Baguio Gold, 40 cts. n.
Benguet, \$14½ n.
Benguet, Exploration, 21 cts. n.
Benguet Goldfield, 20 cts. n.
Big Wedge, 10 cts. n.
Gold Creek, 32 cts. b.
Gold River 21 cts. n.
Ips Mining, \$1 n.
Ilogons, 40 cts. n.
Sulacot, 16 cts. n.
Kallan, 19½ n.
Langkats (Single), \$16 n.
Shai Explorations, Sh. \$5 n.
Shai Loans, Sh. \$6 n.
Rauls, \$10½ n.
Venz: Goldfield, \$5 n.
Docks.
H.K. Wharves, \$112½ n.
H.K. Docks, \$12½ n.
Providents (old), \$1.40 n.
Providents (new), 60 cts. n.
Hongkows (old), Sh. \$309 n.
New Engineerings, Sh. \$63½ n.
Shanghai Docks, Sh. \$120 n.
Cotton Mills.
Ewo Cottons, Sh. \$8½ n.
Shai Cottons, (old), Sh. \$74 n.
Shai Cottons, (new), Sh. \$44½ n.
Zoong Singa, \$9.40 n.
Wing On Textiles, Sh. \$55 n.
Lands, Hotels etc.
H. and S. Hotels, \$6½ n.
H.K. Lands, \$64½ n.
H.K. Lands 4% debentures, \$100 b.
Shai Lands, Sh. \$24½ n.
Metropolitan Lands, Sh. \$12.20 n.
Humphreys, \$9½ n.
H.K. Realities, \$5.60 n.
Asia Realities "A" Sh. \$100 n.
Asia Realities "B" Sh. \$20 n.
Chinese Estates, \$88 n.
China Realities, Sh. \$12½ n.
China Debenture, —
Public Utilities.
Tramway, \$20.50 b.
Peak Trams (old), \$12 n.
Peak Trams (new), \$7 n.
Star Ferries, \$100 n.
Yau-mat Ferries, (old), \$22 n.
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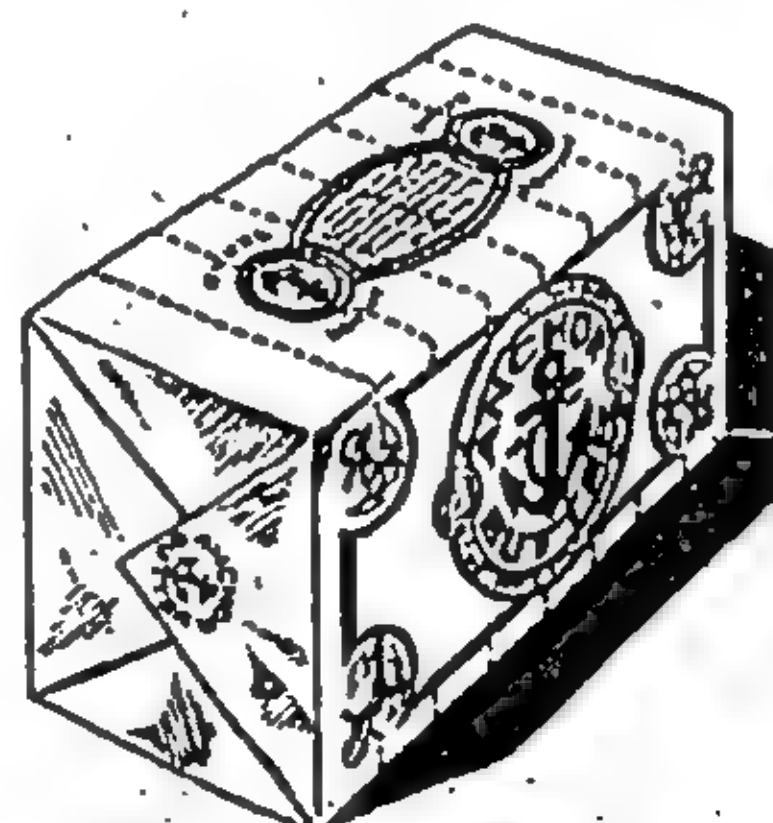
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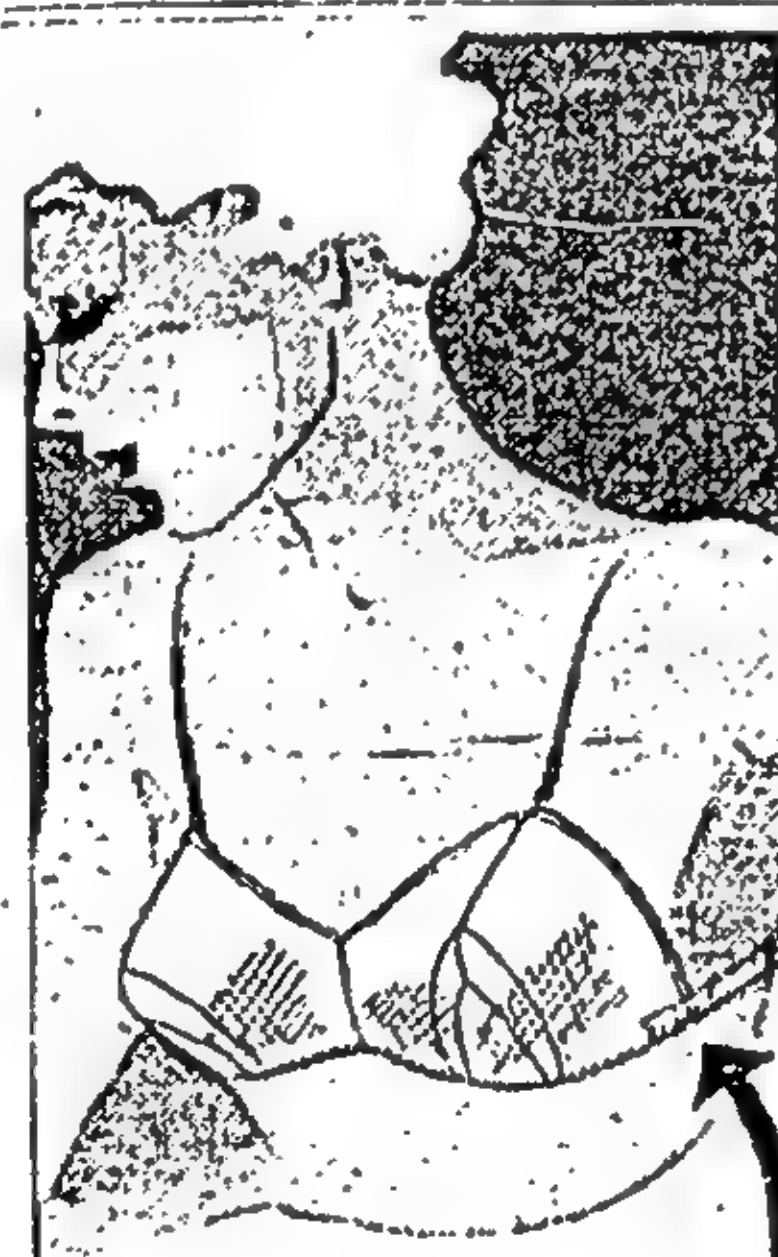
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MONDAY, JAN. 7, 1935.

THE TOOTING EVIL.

The consensus of opinion at Home appears to be that the operation of the recently instituted silence zones in respect of motor traffic has contributed considerably to the public comfort without constituting any serious danger either to pedestrians or to other users of the roads. The new system has certainly resulted in more careful driving at night. It is of interest also to note another fact—that there does not appear to be nearly so much use of the horn as formerly, anywhere or at any hour. In other words, the practice enforced in the night hours tends to spread to driving in general. When a motor-car driver finds that he can get along without having repeated recourse to the horn, he insensibly slips into the habit of silence in places where the prohibition does not exist. In this way, the benefits of the new system, which was primarily devised with a view to the prevention of unnecessary noise at night, are being felt throughout the whole day. Here in Hongkong, where the amount of night traffic is not great, there may not be any call for the institution of silence zones, although the experiment might at any rate be given a trial in such residential areas as happen to be intersected by main thoroughfares. But that the tooting nuisance during the busy part of the day, especially in the business centre of the city, is as bad as ever it was, there can be no question. Now and again, drivers are prosecuted for offences in this respect, but the cases are by no means frequent and appear to be brought, for the most part, by senior police officials who happen to have encountered glaring instances of infringement of the regulations. The evil will never be stamped out except by a big campaign against the offenders, or by the issuing of definite instructions to the traffic police that every observed case be taken up. In some parts of the world, the sounding of horns is prohibited at any time in even the busiest localities, the contention being that there are adequate safeguards, in the way of traffic control, in existence. Whether such a method is possible here in Hongkong, where pedestrians are over-given to jay-walking, remains to be shown. A day's experiment in the centre of the city might produce valuable results. One thing is at any rate certain, namely, that most of the horn-blowing is totally unnecessary; even the owner-driver, if he puts the matter to a test, would be surprised to see how well he could get along

NOTES OF THE DAY

MODERN PIED PIPER

The drawback to the easier mode of communications, the increased comforts of travel of which we boast to-day, is that it is impossible to restrict these benefits only to those persons or objects whose movements are useful and agreeable to their fellows. If (says a Home writer) we can visit Italy or Greece in a couple of days, Lascars, Levantines and Rumanian Jews find it equally easy to come to us. We may enjoy frozen meat from Australia, or ginger from China, but snakes, unknown to Ancient Britons, not infrequently arrive in London unannounced, wrapped up in bundles of bananas. Above all, the present world of travel has proved a boon to that hardest and most ubiquitous of animals, the rat.

NOT LOVABLE

The rat has few qualities which commend him to mankind. He is courageous, and (it is said) a good father; but he is a voracious eater and, above all, a carrier of disease. In the twentieth century we are already beginning to forget what ravages were wrought a short time ago by the plague and cholera brought to the West by Eastern rats. A queer reminder was given us the other day when a London man died from a form of jaundice common in Japan and India, and originating from infection by rats. The only safeguard against such dangers lies in international counter-measures. Since the War the League of Nations has devoted a not inconsiderable portion of its time to combating the rat. The epidemiological service collects and broadcasts information from almost all ports in the world in any cases of suspected disease on board ship or in port, by these means reducing the risk of infection to a minimum. In the Far East, the League has attacked one of the main sources of infection at the root by its reorganisation of the quarantine and public health service in China. It is only an exceptionally resourceful rat which can run the blockade to-day.

BALKAN PEACE

Apart altogether from the new Franco-Italian pact, there are other avenues by which peace in Europe, and especially in the powder-magazine of the Balkans, may be reached. When the Little Entente was formed, it was partly directed against Bulgaria. Bulgaria-Slovakia had no direct dispute with Bulgaria. But Bulgaria had direct territorial disputes both with Yugoslavia and with Roumania, on account of Macedonia and the Dobrudja. The objection raised in some quarters to the Little Entente was that though defensive and intended to consolidate the status quo, it nevertheless had a military purpose. While Bulgaria was in the opposite camp, among the revisionists, it was, though feebly by itself, a source of danger. Again, when the so-called Balkan Pact was signed, bringing together Greece and Turkey, as well as Roumania and Yugoslavia, it was not hailed very warmly as a peace move, because altogether Bulgaria was informed that it might enter, the invitation, as long as Bulgaria cherished ambitions of recovering territory, seemed ironic.

RECENT CHANGE

But recently a change has come over the Balkan scene. Bulgaria has evidently decided that it is useless to persist in a policy which spells ostracism. The late King Alexander of Yugoslavia and King Boris of Bulgaria recently agreed to cultivate better relations in the future. Despite the assassination of King Alexander, there are good grounds for hope that there will be a genuine improvement in the Bulgaria-Yugoslav situation. Moreover, M. Titulesco of Roumania has taken the initiative of endeavouring to settle the quarrel with Bulgaria relative to minorities in the Dobrudja. It is reported that there is every hope, if not for a pact, yet of an understanding which will have vital consequences for the Balkans, and therefore for Europe. There may soon be a new harmony in the troublesome peninsula which has been the bugbear of diplomats for generations. To run beyond the facts would be unwise, for the Balkans are fertile in surprises, and Greece too has its word to say. Yet without undue optimism it may properly be declared that, provided there is no internal break-up of Yugoslavia, never was the outlook for a peaceful Balkans so promising.

without practically any use of the horn. The biggest source of the trouble locally, however, is to be found amongst the drivers of public hire cars, and it is against these that a continuous campaign should be waged by the traffic police.

JAPAN'S ADVANCE
IN NORTH CHINA

(SPECIAL TO "TELEGRAPH")

This is the first of a series of four articles reviewing and analysing events in the development of Japan's advance into North China, with emphasis upon present trends.

Peking.

The Japanese invasion of North China has not ceased. Since its story is no longer written in blood, punctuated with bullets, this steady encroachment and penetration has long since left the headlines of the world's newspapers. But it continues, with perhaps more positive and lasting results than when the world waited breathlessly for the fall of Peking or the capture of Tientsin.

Cast aside the spear of armed invasion, Japan has drawn on the velvet gloves of diplomacy in pursuing her ends in North China, manipulating men and events with smooth but inflexible firmness. By this change of policy, undesired world-wide publicity and the antagonism of unfavourable public opinion have been avoided, while at the same time realisation of Japan's plans in North China has not been unduly slowed down.

Events have now moved far enough to show about what Japan's ambitions in North China include. In the economic field it is apparent that Japan means to play a dominant role in the development of communications, industry and finance. Specifically, Japan is reported to be demanding rights to invest in or build several new railways, and to extend the Japan-Manchukuo air line into North China.

Reliable Chinese sources report that a list of demand reminiscent of the famous Twenty-One Demands have been drawn up. Whether or not such demands have actually been presented, the investment of Japanese capital in new railways and air lines in North China will eventually create a situation precisely similar to that which prevailed in Manchuria prior to 1931, with Japanese "interests" at stake, necessitating, on the slightest provocation, protection and "defence" by Japanese troops as those in Manchuria did in September of 1931.

POLITICAL FIELD

In the political field, Japan appears to be aiming at the creation of a virtual buffer-state between Manchukuo and China. The area involved comprises roughly the north-eastern third of Hopei Province, including the railway and industrial centres of Peking and Tientsin and the triangular region north and east of the Peking-Tientsin railway to the Great Wall. This district apparently is to be governed, not by "independents" or Japanese nominees, but by Chinese officials who are at least as responsible to Japan's wishes as to China's. Chinese sovereignty will be maintained, but it will not be of a nature objectionable to the

Japanese nor opposed to their ambitions in the North.

Many of these plans are now well along toward realisation. Negotiations intermittently in progress since the signing of the Tangku Armistice a year and a half ago have within the past few weeks been renewed with intense activity. The negotiators on the Japan-Manchukuo side have been representatives of the Imperial Japanese Kwangtung Army, Japan's force in Manchukuo, whose commander-in-chief is Japanese ambassador to Manchukuo and virtual ruler of the new state. The Chinese have been represented by a group of minor officials connected with the Peking Political Readjustment Council, whose chairman, General Huang Fu, was sent north to make peace with the Japanese when Peking and Tientsin were threatened, and who has remained virtual ruler of North China since.

NO RECOGNITION

On the theory that Manchukuo is an independent state, Japan has not been willing to take an official hand in most of these discussions, nor is it likely that China would have consented to treat with a Japanese diplomatic official in the matter. On the other hand, on the theory that Manchukuo is a non-existent state, China has refused to deal with any delegates officially connected with the Changchun government. The Japanese Kwangtung Army and the local administrators of North China were thus the only parties who could meet to discuss these momentous issues.

But no one in North China questions that whatever the results of the negotiations, they will be carried out, official or non-official, though the delegates may have been. Stern protests and warnings in connection with a series of comparatively trifling "incidents" and the knowledge that the Japanese troops stand ready to re-invade North China at any moment have provided an effective "thunder off-stage" which has gone far to hasten the conclusion of agreements on the debated points.—United Press.

To-morrow: The Tangku Armistice and Its Aftermath.

The Very Idea!

A STRIKING SHOW

By George

WE went to the boxing on Saturday with the elite (not pronounced lit as so often justified) and we must say that it was certainly a grate time.

Freddie, that's our landlady's four-year-old son, was a little bored and we had to coax him with peanuts through the show to keep his interest up.

The young are so exacting, especially on free tickets.

The programme was a most enjoyable one though at times the fighters were inclined to become a little rough and but for prompt action on the part of the officials there would certainly have been bloodshed.

However, the referee was most kind and stood up for the weaker men splendidly. When one of the men forgot himself and hit really hard, the referee smiled at him and shook a reproving finger.

There was a large German who had a most cunning way of fighting. His policy was to wear the other man out by letting him hit him and then to turn the other cheek.

We were told that if he had been hit downstairs more often the fight would have been over sooner.

From our recollection of being hit downstairs (two and a half flights) we share this opinion but question the fairness of the procedure.

We were glad that Chan was not on the programme again as the remarks of the audience last time quite took our interest off the boxing.

One remark we remember was "Make 'im corf up 'is rice Chawlie!" which was most uncalled for, and would have been disastrous for all concerned.

However, it's all in the game and boxing is certainly the game that counts.

DUMB-BELLES LETTRES

By Juliet Lowell

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Dear Sir:

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Dear Roland:

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Respectively,
Joseph S.

A Doubtful Compliment

Mr. Struthers Burt
Hibernia
Southern Pines, N. C.

Dear Mr. Burt:

As I have always, until recently, enjoyed the most robust health I have never read anything of yours before. But recently, owing to drinking unfiltered water, I became covered with pink spots and my brain-power was temporarily affected. A friend lent me your latest story, and I read it with great enjoyment.

I remain sincerely yours,
John E.

"Now, remember, give him a bath each morning and brush his tooth twice a day."

Japanese Manchuria Adventure

NO RIGHT TO CRITICISE

RECOGNITION OF MANCHUKUO

(Special to "Telegraph")

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Washington, Jan. 6. Mr. Hamilton Fish, Republican Representative in Congress, interviewed to-day, declared that the problem of naval ratings could be amicably settled without more ado if the nations concerned desired an agreement.

Personally, he said, he favoured recognition of Manchukuo's independence by the nations of the world.

He was aware that Japanese industrial rivalry had upset the world's trade equilibrium, and he was therefore anxious to safeguard American export markets, particularly in the Far East where the demand for textiles had been a means of profit in the past.

"The naval controversy can be settled provided we do not persist in passing moral judgment upon Japan, telling her what she should do in Manchuria."

"It is hypocritical for British or French, who have grabbed half the world, to tell Japan that she has no superior rights in Manchuria."

"Likewise, it is hypocrisy for the United States to condemn Japan's actions in Asia when America seized the Panama Canal Zone not so long ago and has sought to maintain the Monroe Doctrine in Latin-America."

The attitude of Representative Fish is surprising in that he has formerly been an advocate of a "big navy" and non-co-operation with Japan. He is a strong anti-Communist, and has more than once warned the Administration against the growth of radicalism in America, seeing in it a threat to the peace of the nation.—United Press.

HAYSTACKS ON FIRE

BLAZE NEAR DOCKS AT ABERDEEN

Three stacks of hay, situated on a vacant piece of land near the docks at Aberdeen, were destroyed by fire which broke out at midnight on Saturday and continued until 2.30 yesterday afternoon. Two appliances were in attendance. The cause of the fire is believed to be internal combustion, and the total damage is estimated at \$1,200.

DAY BY DAY NEWS IN BRIEF

HOPE IS THE CHIEF BLESSING OF MAN; AND THAT HOPE ONLY IS NATIONAL OF WHICH WE ARE RESPONSIBLE THAT IT CANNOT DECEIVE US.—Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. M. S. J. Walsh, of the British-American Tobacco Co. (China) Ltd., who were booked to leave for Shanghai on the Asama Maru leaving here on Wednesday, on Mr. Walsh's transfer to that port, have been unavoidably delayed owing to the sudden illness of Mr. Walsh.

Lam Ming, aged 28, unemployed, on pleading guilty to the theft of a canvas motor car cover, the property of Mrs. Lau Mo-yu, was sentenced to two months' hard labour by Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning. The cover had been placed over the radiator of a car in the garden of 286 Prince Edward Road on Saturday.

For trespassing in the garden at Laichikok Prison, on Friday, Liu Yee, aged 22, a street coolie, was fined \$100, in default two months' hard labour, by Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning. The defendant was seen loitering in the vicinity of the garden for several days. Defendant's plea was that he had gone there to look for work.

Ho On, aged 25, unemployed, pleaded guilty before Mr. Wynne-Jones in the Central Magistracy this morning to stealing \$45 and one half five-dollar note from Tso Wal-kong, accountant of the Sun Cheong Goldsmith, No. 290 Queen's Road Central. It was stated by Det-Sergeant Mintey that defendant "snatched the money from the man's hand and was caught by a police constable." Defendant admitted a previous conviction in 1931 for attempting to steal from a person and was sentenced to three months' hard labour.

SOUND FINANCE FIRST

ROOSEVELT'S PROGRAMME

Washington, Jan. 6. It is generally agreed as President Roosevelt's programme takes shape, that it is apparent he proposes to introduce very little in the form of any new or startling legislation. Main emphasis is laid upon his desire for sound financing, and for efforts to be made to avoid increased taxation.

The House Leaders are endeavouring to speed up the legislative machinery in response to the President's expressed desire for a short session of Congress. Therefore the plan to draw up an independent Offices Bill will be dealt with early this week, in an effort to dispose of departmental appropriations as soon as possible, and to clear the way for all impending legislation, including revision of the existing Monetary Bill and of the National Recovery Administration as well as the readjustment of taxes.

From a poll taken among the Ways and Means Committee it is indicated that the Bonus Bill will be reported upon favourably despite the fact that the President has indicated his opposition.—United Press.

FRANCO-ITALIAN PACT ASSURED

(Continued from Page 1.)

that the Italians first confirm their territorial ambitions in the north, where it is feared a wedge may be formed between French West Africa and French Equatorial Africa.

3. The Italians are asking for territory, fifty miles in length, at present belonging to French Somaliland.

4. Italy wants more than the 2,000 shares of the Adis Ababa Railway, offered her by France.—Reuter.

GERMANY INFORMED?

Berlin, Jan. 6. Full information regarding the Rome discussion will probably be handed to the Foreign Office by the French and Italian Ambassadors to-morrow or Tuesday, it is announced.

The French Ambassador paid several visits to the Foreign Office last week in order to keep the German Government fully informed as to the progress of the Rome negotiations.

Meanwhile, German official quarters state that they have no official information with regard to the terms of any new pact or proposal, and the tone of the press comments on the Rome meeting are noticeably cooler. It appears as if Germany were playing for time to consider the position fully before committing herself.—Reuter.

EXCHANGE CONTRACTS DISPUTE

Claim For Over Half Million Dollars

BANK CRITICISED

The disappearance of the manager of the Hon Ping Trading Company and the closing of the company in September, 1932, were mentioned as significant incidents in a claim for \$591,640.23 which was brought into open Court for the first time this morning after a lengthy hearing in chambers.

The amount is claimed by the Kwong Shing Cheong Sandalwood Association Limited (in voluntary liquidation) from the Banque Franco-Chinoise pour le Commerce et l'Industrie.

In their statement of claim plaintiffs set out that they have suffered damage by the defendants wrongfully depriving them of various cash orders and promissory orders, the property of plaintiffs amounting in all to \$591,640.23.

Alternatively the plaintiffs claim that amount as payable by defendants as money received by them for the use of plaintiffs, defendants having received the orders as trustees and having carried them over and converted them into money. Interest was also claimed from the respective dates of each conversion.

The orders were drawn by the following banks in favour of the plaintiffs as follows: Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, \$176,498; Chartered Bank, \$107,685; Mercantile Bank, \$137,077; Chase Bank, \$101,229; Netherlands India Commercial Bank, \$16,600; Bank of China, \$7,720; Banque Franco-Chinoise \$44,868.

Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., and Mr. F. C. Jenkin, K.C., instructed by Mr. D. J. Lewis, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes & Master, represented plaintiffs while Mr. D. McNeill and Mr. H. G. Sholdon, instructed by Mr. E. Davidson, of Messrs. Hastings & Co., appeared for defendants.

In his opening of the case, Mr. Potter said exchange contracts were the subjects of the claim and these were a necessary part of the business which were fixed by Lau Ping, the then manager of the Sandalwood Association. Many of these contracts were entered into with Hongkong banks and they were made out in the plaintiffs' name and, in cases where there were differences in their favour and it was desired, as was usual, to close the account, promissory cash orders were made out by the banks to the plaintiff company. The plaintiffs, of course, paid when the exchange difference was against them.

WHOSE CONTRACTS?

"It is alleged that although these promissory contracts were made out in our name they were not our contracts," continued Mr. Potter. "The defendants are, in the voluntary liquidation of the Sandalwood Association, claiming \$139,000 on such contracts. . . . Whether somebody else (apart from defendants and plaintiffs) has been putting the profits into his own pocket is a matter outside this Court and, we submit, immaterial."

The promissory and cash orders which should have been paid only into the account of the Sandalwood Association were paid into the Hon Ping Trading Company to the extent of \$591,640.23 and this strange fact was explained in this way.

Lau Ping was the manager of the Sandalwood Company and about 1928, he became also manager of the Hon Ping Company, opening an account in their name at the Banque de Franco-Chinoise. There were other persons by the name of Lau in the business at Shanghai.

NO ENQUIRY

Defendants knew that Lau Ping was the manager of both the Sandalwood Company and the Hon Ping Company, and yet they allowed him to open a second account for the Hon Ping Company and pay into that the promissory and cash orders of the Sandalwood Company without enquiry.

The bank should naturally have asked why these orders, made out to a limited company, should be paid into the Hon Ping account. They should have asked in the limited company had not an account and should at least have asked why a second account for the Hon Ping was needed by Lau Ping, considering his position with the firms.

The plaintiffs had to prove that there had been a fraudulent conversion of their property, and they could prove that all the relevant orders were made out to them, except for two made direct through exchange brokers, and that some of the bank orders paid into the Hon Ping account were actually orders issued to plaintiffs by the defendants themselves.

Three prominent bankers in the Colony would be called to say that

BRIDGE TO EUROPE'S PEACE

GOEBBELS' OFFER TO FRANCE

Berlin, Jan. 6.

Opening the Saar Exhibition, Dr. Goebbels, Minister of Propaganda, declared to-day that "the Saar may become a bridge between Germany and France."

"It thus offers an historic possibility: an ending of the lamentable quarrel of a century which has endangered all European history in these times," he went on.

"It offers an opportunity to pursue a new line of Franco-German co-operation for the benefit of all Europe."

"We are ready to bury the past and begin a new and peaceful future."—Reuter.

Plane Delayed By Weather

FORCED TO RETURN TO SHANGHAI

Shanghai, Jan. 7.

A Canton-bound passenger plane belonging to the Chinese National Aviation Corporation was held up at Wenchow yesterday morning due to bad weather. She returned to Shanghai the same afternoon.

It transpires that the plane carried a party of Shanghai Chinese and foreign journalists, who intended to undertake a sight-seeing tour of the South-eastern China ports with Canton as their final destination.

In anticipation of their arrival yesterday, Canton press circles, as well as the Municipal authorities, had prepared a cordial reception.—Central News.

NO NAVY DAY CELEBRATIONS

DISAPPOINTMENT FOR HONGKONG

Residents in Hongkong will learn with regret of the decision of the naval authorities not to hold Navy Day celebrations in the Colony this year. A Telegraph representative was informed: this morning that the naval authorities had given the matter every consideration before reaching their decision.

It will be recalled that the celebrations had to be postponed from October 21 (Trafalgar Day) owing to that day clashing with the dates fixed for the Military Tattoo, and it was tentatively decided that Navy Day be held some time in January. The naval authorities have now seen fit to abandon the idea for this year and the question whether such celebrations shall be held in the future is subject to further consideration.

The orders were not negotiable instruments.

NOT JUSTIFIED

The correspondence which passed between the bank and plaintiffs left no doubt that they knew they were dealing with the Sandalwood Association and accountants would say that there was nothing in the books to justify the possession of the orders by the Hon Ping.

Nor could the payments into the Hon Ping's account be explained as a payment for debts as it would be a remarkable coincidence if these debts always amounted to the sum on the promissory exchange orders of the plaintiffs, and in any case this was an impossible and unprecedented manner of conducting business.

Lau Ping had disappeared, and the Hon Ping Company ceased to function in September, 1932. Counsel would not say that from its inception the Hon Ping Trading Company was a fraudulent concern, but some member of the Company made use of its account for this improper method of getting hold of the Sandalwood Association's property.

There was no answer at all to the plaintiffs' case unless they could prove that the orders were negotiable instruments.

It was difficult to understand how any bank could accept orders in the way defendants had done without making the fullest enquiry. When defendants had opened business with the Sandalwood Association they had investigated their books and knew their capital yet they never queried the colossal sums which they were supposedly paying to the account of the Hon Ping Trading Company.

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Z.E.K. PROGRAMME

From Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 865 metres. (947 kilocycles): 5.5 p.m. European Programme. 5.7 p.m. A Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Hongkong Hotel Roof Garden (by courtesy of the Management).

7 p.m. Closing Local Stock Quotations, London and New York Stock and Commodity Quotations.

7.05-7.30 p.m. Excerpt from "The Yeomen of the Guard" (Gilbert and Sullivan).

7.30-7.40 p.m. Odetta. La Cinqtaine (Marie).

Andante in G (Biste).

Andantino (Song of the Soul) (Lemore).

7.40-8 p.m. From the Studio. A Talk on "The 1st part of the Journey Home via Panama" by Miss P. W. Brown.

8 p.m. Local Time and Weather Report.

8.10-9.30 p.m. Chinese Studio Concert.

9.30 p.m. Reuter Press Bulletins, London 1 p.m. Stock and Commodity Quotations.

10.30 p.m. Reuter Press Bulletins, Rugby Mid-day Press News, Further London Stock and Commodity Quotations.

10.35 p.m. Close Down.

Z.E.K. PROGRAMME

8.30-10 p.m. European recorded Music from Z.E.K. on a frequency of 640 k.c.s.

8.30-9.05 p.m. Concerto in A Minor, Op. 16 (Grieg).

Arthur de Greef (Pianoforte) and The Royal Albert Hall Orchestra conducted by Sir Landon Ronald.

9.03-9.30 p.m. Variety. Songs—Little man, You've had a busy day.

Les Allen, with Mrs. Allen and Norman.

Songs—Radio Requests. Les Allen (Baritone).

Sketch—Clapham and Dwyer. Hobbies.

Fox-Trots—Born to be Kissed. Fox-Trots—Two Cigarettes in the Dark.

Piano Solos—Jazz Goblins. Piano Solos—Waltz Romantique.

9.30 p.m. Reuter Press Bulletins, London 1 p.m. Stock and Commodity Quotations.

9.35-10 p.m. Light Orchestral Selections. Reminiscences of Grieg (arr. Urbach).

Plaque Dames—Overture (Suppl. Contrabass—Polpourri of Famous Melodies (Robrecht).

10 p.m. Close Down.

ZEESEN PROGRAMMES

This Evening's Broadcasts From The German Short-Waves

Special programmes for Far Eastern listeners will be broadcast from Zeesen as follows.

SOUTH ASIA ZONE South Asia Zone, broadcast from DJB, (10.14 metres, and DJB (11.45 metres): 4.45 p.m. DJB, DJN Announcement (German, English, German, Polish, French, Portuguese, Russian, Spanish, Swedish, Danish, Dutch, Italian, Japanese, Chinese, Hindi, Bengali, Urdu, Persian, Arabic, Malay, Indonesian, Tagalog, Vietnamese, Thai, Burmese, Sinhalese, Ceylonese, Malayan, and other languages).

5 p.m. Relayed from Breslau, Concerto from German Masters' Concertation Concerto by Mozart. At the Piano: Edwin Fischer.

5.30 p.m. News in English. 5.45 p.m. "Recherches in der Zeitschrift." A Play by Hans Feilcke.

6.30 p.m. Topical Talk. 6.45 p.m. News in German. Concert of Light Music.

7 p.m. News in English. 8 p.m. News in English. 8.15 p.m. Close down DJB, DJN (German, English).

EAST ASIA ZONE East Asia Zone broadcast through DJA on 31.30 metres, and DJN (31.15 metres): 9 p.m. DJA, DJN Announcement (German, English, German, Polish, French, Portuguese, Russian, Spanish, Swedish, Danish, Dutch, Italian, Japanese, Chinese, Hindi, Bengali, Urdu, Persian, Arabic, Malay, Indonesian, Tagalog, Vietnamese, Thai, Burmese, Sinhalese, Ceylonese, Malayan, and other languages).

9.15 p.m. Relayed from Breslau, Concerto from German Masters' Concertation Concerto by Mozart. At the Piano: Edwin Fischer.

9.45 p.m. News in English on DJA and in Dutch on DJN.

10 p.m. Popular Orchestral Music. 11 p.m. Today's have been reading an Old Book.

11.15 p.m. News in German on DJA and DJN.

11.30 p.m. "Recherches in der Zeitschrift." A Play by Hans Feilcke.

12.15 a.m. News in English on DJA and in Dutch on DJN.

12.30 a.m. Close down DJB, DJN (German, English).

KZRM PROGRAMME

This Evening's Broadcast From Manila Station

The following programmes will be broadcast from Manila by KZRM.

8 p.m. Studio Classics. 8.30 p.m. Practice Hour—Conservatory of Music.

8.40 p.m. Spanish Informational Period. 8.50 p.m. English Informational Period. 9 p.m. Dinner Music.

9.15 p.m. Studesbaker Band Box Review—Manila Motor Co.

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SUNDAY'S SHIELD TIES BRILLIANTLY CONTESTED

PRANDY WINS TITLE OUT-BOXES DEE

GREAT DEBUT AS PROFESSIONAL

(By "Resala")

A. B. Prandy, the H.M.S. Kent featherweight who made his professional boxing debut at the previous tournament, won the Colony Championship at his weight before a large house at the Lee Theatre on Saturday and impressed critics by his speed and determination, as one of the most promising youngsters seen here for a long time.

Stoker Dee of H.M.S. Phoenix put up a game fight but he emphasised physical disadvantages by his method of fighting—always being on the ropes and in retreat.

In the first round Dee got slightly the worst of swapping punches but if he had purchased those tactics he would have gone further and fared better. Prandy wielded both gloves as Dee covered up on the ropes and though the Cornishman's defence was good, several stinging lefts penetrated his guard and he took heavy swings on the side of the head.

NO K.O. PUNCH

In the fourth round Dee dropped his guard and fell to the floor before a heavy two-handed attack.

Prandy could have finished the fight in this round if he had been able to produce a knock out punch. The opportunity presented itself only as Dee with one eye closed staggered about the ring. Clever ringcraft delayed the end until the seventh round when Prandy closed the other eye and dropped his man for a short count.

The referee stopped the contest as Dee was so blind that he could not find his way out of the ring.

INTERNATIONAL CONTESTS
The international contests were good entertainment although the Max Brilka—Appley—contest was more a feat of strength than skill on the part of the former which kept the crowd's interest.

Brilka is a big, powerful man, but with no idea of fighting or boxing. He sagged about the ring as Appley punched him unmercifully about the body and did not land a single effective blow in return during the six rounds before his seconds threw in the towel.

The American, Mel Hermos of U.S.S. Mindano, and A. B. Robinson of H.M.S. Medway began with some amusing acrobatics but finished up with stern and savage hitting which was so evenly shared that the verdict of a draw was the only one possible.

S. CHINA HELD TO DRAW

Navy Fight Hard

SKINNER FOOLISHLY NEGLECTED

South China "A" went nearer to being beaten yesterday, when they met the Navy in the Senior Shield, than at any other time this season. A rousing game ended fittingly in a draw, necessitating a replay.

Missing the inspiring forward line leadership of Fung King-cheung, and being somewhat poorly served by Tay Qua-liang his substitute, South China had to fight every inch to live another day. The Navy's enterprising methods sought the vulnerability of the Chinese, and very nearly succeeded to the extent of causing the season's biggest surprise result.

Had Skinner, the beat winger the Navy have had on the China Station for several years, been better attended, the Navy might now be in the second round. Skinner was woefully neglected, being forced to do his own fetching and carrying. It was this which stopped the Navy from developing a winning attack.

McGUIRE'S MINE-SWEEPING
The game was full of fast and keen exchanges. The Chinese were slightly the more polished, but this was nullified by the tirelessness of the Navy, whose defence rose to all occasions. The difference between the two sets of backs was negligible, and although as a trio the Chinese halves appeared to be somewhat better than the opposition, McGuire's brilliant "mine-sweeping" in the pivotal position saw the Chinese attack just as well held as that of the Navy.

Curiously enough neither goals were very satisfactory. Pepper made the only mistake in a good afternoon's work and allowed Ip Pak-wa to hook the ball past him, while Li Tin-wang headed into his own net after being severely pressed by a brilliant Navy attack. Two Kwai-shing and Ng Po-kui on the right and left wings respectively, were outstanding in the Chinese forward line, and in contrast, Tay Qua-liang was much below form.

Kiley and Cannell figured prominently in the Navy attack, which might have developed into a something very formidable, had not the offensives been concentrated entirely on the right wing. Rycroft, West and Love, in addition to McGuire, played conspicuous parts in a game of fluctuating fortunes.



A fine action picture, showing Pepper, Navy goalkeeper grazed, and a Navy defender clearing with his head as Tam Kong pak rushes in in an effort to score. A thrilling incident during yesterday's Shield game at Causeway Bay. (Photo: Mee Cheung).

UNDIGNIFIED DEATH OF ST. JOSEPH'S SENIOR SHIELD HOPES

RAGGED DISPLAY AGAINST SOUTH CHINA "B"

YOUNG CAROLINE HILL TEAM SHOWS HOW IT IS DONE

(By "Veritas")

St. Joseph's cherished Shield hopes died with unexpected suddenness at Caroline Hill on Saturday; but the real tragedy was that it was not given to the Saints to die, like soldiers, gloriously; it was as the death of a mouse in the hands of a cat,—lingering, painful and undignified. South China "B" toyed with them, getting them in their clutches with a three goal lead, teasing them with a bare chance of escape when this lead was reduced half way through the second half, and finally carrying out the "kill," with a couple of quick goals only a few minutes from the end of the game.

It was the worst display the Saints have given this season, and as they deteriorated from mediocrity to complete ineffectiveness, so South China improved, giving one the impression that the losers had by some error, got into the wrong competition.

Despite the undeniable smartness of the young Chinese team, the game never approached the standard of football rightly to be expected. The Chinese owed everything to their half backs and forwards, the latter earning the chief honours of the day. But with the Saints it was impossible to pick out any department as a whole and hold them as paragons. One was allowed to appreciate only individuals, and they could be counted on one hand.

PAINFUL FEATURE

St. Joseph's failed as a team, and it was impossible to reconnoitre Saturday's team with the one which performed so handsomely against the Club a week before. The defence collapsed, almost from the word "go," and only the untiring energies of Dave Leonard and Elms saved the collegians from being overrun.

To the Saints the most painful feature of the match was the sudden decline of Delliar, Addis and Bentley, three of their new players. The first two could not put a right foot. Delliar was not only bewildered by Yeung Shui-yick, but frustrated and worried out of his normal game by the quick and skilful manoeuvres of Lal Shui-wing and Tsang King-ye. His clearing was tentative and his tackling nervous.

Addis was continually out-positioned, and finally forced into such a crude defensive game that he was unable to render any assistance to the attack and made very little effective contribution in defence.

FORWARDS ANALYSED

Betty repeated his mistake of crowding Ward, but what was even more important lost all control of the ball. He made desperate efforts to recover himself, but things just wouldn't go right, with the result that half of the Saints attacks were killed a birth just over the halfway line.

Horridge was lively, scored a good goal, and with Ward was the only constructive member of the Saints' forward line. Costa finished badly or waited until he had reached the corner flag and then put behind. Victor was ill at ease all through and crowned an unhappy afternoon by missing a "litter" yards from goal at the most crucial point of the game. A goal then would have given St. Joseph's a real fighting chance to recover.

Leonard was admirable at centre-half and had no peer among any of the intermediates. He combined the qualities of a constructive pivot with those of a fine defender, but was distressingly supported.

So badly did things go for the Saints, that towards the end nearly all their passes, and certainly every shot, went over the goal line yards from the posts. And to fill their cup of unhappiness to overflowing, Delliar received marching orders just before the end for rough play.

FOLLOW ELDER'S FOOTSTEPS

Parentetically it might be observed that the game was most efficiently handled by the referee. I liked the way in which he pulled up the players for what could without doubt be regarded as dangerous tactics. In several instances there was no actual physical foul committed, but he recognised the possibilities of such methods, and put them down firmly from the very start. This is the sort of refereeing needed, for it teaches players that they cannot get away with "subtle" fouling, and gradually makes them realise that it is just as easy to get the ball without recourse to such tactics.

No team more justly deserved a decisive victory than South China "B." They were easily four goals better than the Saints, and even if one did not find uniform standard of excellence throughout the team, it was reached by the majority of the players.

SPLENDID REFEREEING

As I have intimated the forwards played the most notable part in a notable achievement. They reproduced all the finer points of success. (Continued on Page 9.)



TRIUMPH FOR POLICE

Forward Line Shines

LINCOLNS UNABLE TO SETTLE DOWN

Jumping back to that form which earlier in the season entitled them to the description of being one of the best civilian teams in the Colony, the Police yesterday gained the whip-hand of the Lincolns in a finely contested Senior Shield match, winning by two clear goals.

The Police benefitted from a vastly superior attack and an inspired display by Chris Pile at left back. As a team too, they showed more direct and progressive tactics than the soldiers, who in attack, relied almost exclusively on the genius of the Ridley, and in defence on the masterly work of Menkin in goal.

The rest of the team, although good triers, were somewhat out-lined. Neither Edmundson nor Robson were capable of withstanding the delightful right wing partnership of Stevens and Tommy Pile. The former played his heat game of the season, revealing perfect ball control and timing his passes to a nicety. Pile lobbed the ball into the goalmouth accurately and consistently, and when on the move, the Police forward line was doubly as dangerous as the Lincolns, who did not possess the same skill in combination.

Johnson was a robust leader and Green showed much improvement. In brief there was no weak link in the Police vanguard.

ALERT MEAKIN

Sound displays were given by Gough and Parker, but Pile was the outstanding man in defence and had no equal on the field. Blackburn was steady and resourceful, especially against the doughty Ridley. Pile had Higgins and Malpass well bottled up.

Menkin saved the Lincolns from a much heavier defeat. He fielded point blank shots and fierce drives from all angles, being finally beaten by shots which gave him no chance. Ash and Edmundson were valiant backs, but slow in anticipation, allowing the Police to get into position for shooting before challenging them.

The half backs were a little disappointing, and certainly did not touch customary form. The most lively efforts in the forward line came from Ridley and Higgins. Both wingers were fairly well overshadowed, and as a quintette the forwards were rendered pretty ineffective.

The Police scored both goals before the interval, Stevens sending in a pile-driver which Meakin did not see, and Johnson adding to this just before the interval, following a right wing movement which split "goal" all the way. The Lincolns bucked up in the early stages of the second half, but once the Police had recovered from the pressure, they again enjoyed the major share of the exchanges, and were attacking at the close.

Leung In-chun got his head to the ball and cleared a hot attack by the Navy during yesterday's Shield match between South China and the Navy. (Photo: Mee Cheung).

SHIELD TIE SNIPPETS

DOLEFUL GAME AT HAPPY VALLEY: HOWE ALONE SHINES

QUEER PSYCHOLOGICAL REACTIONS TO CUP-TIE FOOTBALL

(By "Veritas")

SATURDAY'S shield ties produced only two surprise results. It was this fact which became the most surprising feature of the programme. Even these two "stray" decisions do not come with in the category of sensational. It was always on the cards that St. Joseph's would lose to South China "B", and like the East Lancashires and Lincolns, the Fusiliers have relatively stronger reserve teams than their senior combinations, so that the possibility of them beating the R.A.M.C., could never be ignored.

THE standard of football in the three Senior Shield engagements was saved from being among the poorest on record only by the match between Kowloon and East Lancs. The Club and Fusiliers were very scrappy, and reference on this page to the full report of the Caroline Hill encounter, will indicate how disappointing that was.

KOWLOON'S win was popular, handsome and thoroughly deserved. Jones, late of the Borderers, made his debut in the Peninsula team and was the life and soul of a tremendously improved attack. Bliss was a bluster to the soldiers and blissful to Kowloon supporters: any way he played a remarkably fine game. Morrison was really Morrison and Kowloon's old young-stagers pulled their weight as they have not done before this season.

IS there really to be a Kowloon renaissance?

DOWN at Happy Valley, those enthusiasts who had cut short their tiffin hour to be in time for the Club v Fusiliers match, lived to regret it. Happily for the Club there was Howe, and there were a few occasions when supporters could appreciate the presence of Pote-Hunt and Bickford. Otherwise somebody might have demanded a rebate off his subscription.

CAN anybody seriously tell me how Albert Howe is to be left out of the interlopers? His inspired current form—makes selection inevitable.

HE captured the Fusiliers' trenches three times, and if the referee had not called an armistice after 70 minutes, he would probably have repeated this.

THE Fusiliers needed a Howe in their attack; they would have reversed the result, especially in view of the weak Club wing halves, the inability of Gamble and the vagaries (unusual) of George Rodger.

THE disappointing displays by St. Joseph's, Club and Fusiliers encourages one to look for a psychological explanation. The question "Why do so many good teams play below form in cup-ties" is always one which intrigues. The popular answer is generally a little unsatisfactory, because the factors which favour a team playing a normal game as so many more than those which have an opposite influence.

A cup-tie or shield match is still a football match, exacting no more and no less than an ordinary league game, unless it be that the duration of the game is ten minutes longer. In our local knock-out competition matches the same teams meet each other so that it is never a question of being up against an unknown quantity. Only occasionally does the underfoot and atmospheric conditions vary.

AGAINST these considerations, one can advance only one serious factor which is capable of making a team play below form. It is that a team becomes affected in the knowledge that defeat in this game means the complete loss of all chances to win the trophy. There is no second opportunity. This seems to have its psychological reactions, expressed in terms of over-anxiousness on the part of players, nervousness and lack of normal concentration, all of which sap the potentialities of the team.

WHEN two teams in the same match are affected, it guarantees a poor standard of football and a not altogether satisfactory result. An example is the Club and Fusiliers game.

Rumjahn And Mrs. Chui In Final

MIXED DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP

Clever defensive tactics in the last set earned victory for H. D. Rumjahn and Mrs. Chui Chun-chui against Lieut. and Mrs. Kayll in the semi-final of the Colony's mixed doubles tennis championship yesterday.

Rumjahn and Mrs. Chui won after conceding the first set by the scores of 4-6, 6-4, 6-3. The four players indulged in some excellent rallies, and if Lieut. Kayll had not made errors at the not off easy positions, the result would probably have been reversed.

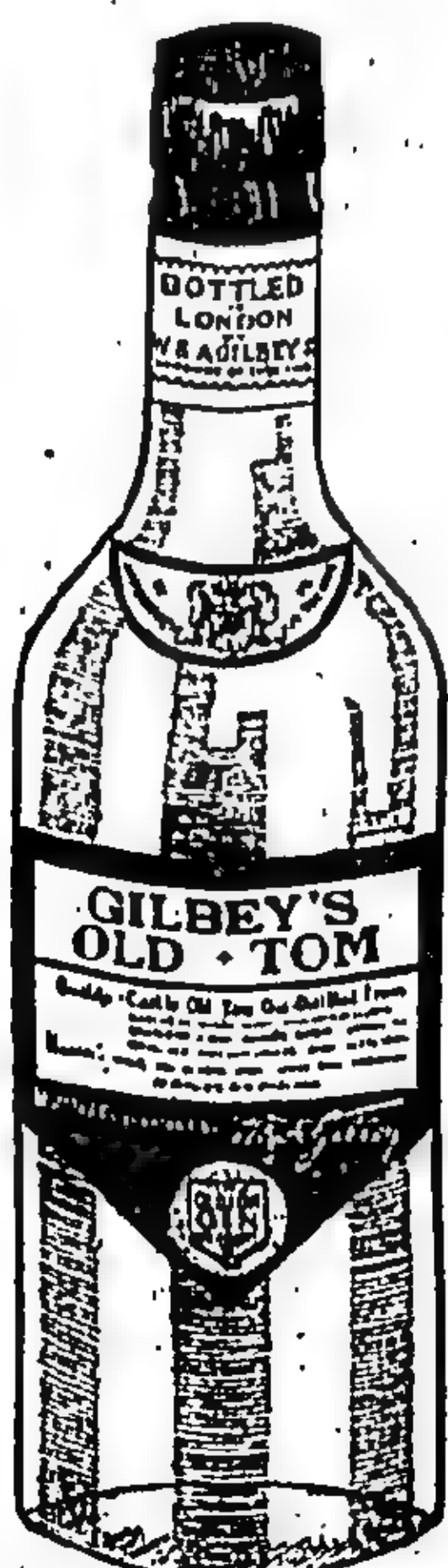
Mrs. Kayll played her usual forceful game, and went incessantly to the net from where she volleyed and smashed with great skill. Her partner was stronger off the ground, but was unable to sustain a prolonged attack.

Mrs. Chui started somewhat nervously, but remaining at the baseline, gradually acquired confidence, and with it accuracy. After the first set she played extremely well, driving strongly on both hands, and lobbing with effect.

It was the lobbing campaign of Rumjahn and Mrs. Chui which forced the losers into fatal errors. Rumjahn was wonderfully accurate with these shots, finding the rear of the court time and again. He also covered the net with customary agility and kept his mistakes down to the minimum.

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BADMINTON LEAGUE

RECREIO BEAT TAIKOO IN MEN'S DOUBLES

Playing in the Men's Doubles "B" Division of the Badminton League last Friday, the Club de Recreio beat Taikoo by seven games to two, the match being decided on the Taikoo court. Detailed scores were:—
G. A. Smith and R. C. Thorn (Taikoo) lost to A. M. da Silva and L. A. L. Silva 21-23; beat H. A. Barros and A. F. Xavier 21-7; beat J. L. Silva and D. F. Lopes 21-10.
A. M. M. Stephen and C. H. Summers (Taikoo) lost to Silva and Silva 8-21; lost to Barros and Xavier 16-21; lost to Silva and Lopes 10-21.
A. W. Norris and T. F. Stainton (Taikoo) lost to Silva and Silva 4-21; lost to Barros and Xavier 7-21; lost to Silva and Lopes 10-21.

Undignified Death Of St. Joseph's Shield Hopes

(Continued from Page 8.)

ful offensive as practised by the club's senior team. Balda were not carried out haphazardly by any one forward, but were planned and effected by the whole attack, the ball swinging rapidly from wing to wing.
Tsang King-yeo was strictly impartial in his distribution of the ball, and as he found both wingers on top form, he could afford to be. There was really not a lot of difference between any of the quintette, although I thought that Lai Shui-wing worked better together with Yeung Shui-yick, than did Cheung Yau-shek with Li Shik-yau.
Yeung played delightful football on the right wing, keeping Elma very

busy and always having a trick or two too many for Dellar. Tsang and Cheung were always on the target with their shots, and Li had the mastery of Addis and Sousa right through the game.
Lee Kam and Henry Young were fine spilling wing halves, and appeared to have a working knowledge of nearly all the tricks of the trade. Young was brilliant in anticipation and simply ruined the Beatty-Victor combination. Lai Tak-poo at centre half had his task rendered much easier by the poor support given to Ward, whose forward line leadership became less and less inspired.

BACKS UNCERTAIN

Cheung Chi-ying and Yui Hing-yuen were not a frightfully impressive pair of backs, being susceptible to collapse under sustained pressure. Any sort of energetic co-ordination between the St. Joseph's forwards would probably have seen the defence go to pieces. But the test never became so severe, and the Chinese backs just managed to scramble out of a couple of dangerous situations. Wong Wan-hai was perfectly safe in goal; that is so far as one could judge. He spent most of his time taking goal kicks, and was not called upon to make more than three real saves.

On this form, South China "B" will give any team a very good run for its money in the Senior Shield. They have, in fact, the makings of a combination as good as the present senior outfit. If anything like the same team is retained next season, it will need a lot of stopping.

ABOUT THE GAME

There is not much about the game calling for comment. All the goals scored were well worked for and merited. Tsang King-yeo scored two beauties, Cheung Shik-yau also twice made the roof of the net rattle, and Yeung Shui-yick scored the best goal of the match—a wonderful angle shot from the wing, which whizzed past Wong's outstretched hands, to hit the far upright and then find the back of the goal.

The Chinese were two-up at half time, and they added a third two minutes after the re-start. Herdridge replied with a very nice goal, then Victor missed a great opportunity of further reducing the lead. After this escape, the Chinese went away and helped themselves to two more goals, just to make certain.

Summed up one can say that St. Joseph's played a type of football typical of a nervous team in a cup match-winning league type of game. The difference on paper is purely abstract, but to the eye....

CRAIGENGOWER TENNIS TOURNAMENT

HACHIUMA WINS MOST GAMES

The American lawn tennis mixed doubles tournament at the C.C.C. yesterday resulted in a win for Miss Janet Broadbridge and Mrs. Summons in the ladies' section, and Mr. Y. Hachiuma and Mr. A. Kitchell in the men's section.

Mrs. Wood, who was the donor of the prizes, actually secured first place in the ladies' section, but declined her own prize, with the result that Miss Broadbridge, who was second, became first, and Mrs. Summons, who was third received second prize.

The event was confined to 28 competitors, and the highest score was put up by Mr. Hachiuma, who secured 44 games out of a possible 50.

One case each of Typhoid and Meningitis and three cases of Diphtheria were reported to the local health authorities on Friday.

LOCAL YACHTING JAN WINS "A" CLASS EVENT

Jan, sailed by Mr. O. Bruuggaard, won the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club's "A" Class event for the Commodore's Cup when she beat True Blue (Mr. H. S. Rouse) by 14 seconds over a 10.7 miles course on Saturday afternoon.

Sirius, with Mr. H. M. Finley at the helm, beat Tynette by 1 min. 57 1/2 secs. in the "G" Class event over 9.3 miles.

YESTERDAY'S YACHTING

THREE RACES SAILED FOR COMMODORE'S CUPS

The Royal Hongkong Yacht Club yesterday sailed three races for Commodore's Cups in the Cruiser and "A" classes. Commander Orr-Ewing won the "W" Class race in Mair; Mr. A. L. Shields won the race for cruisers in Luana; while Commodore Elliott piloted Pat home first in the "A" Class contest.

HELPED BY BRILLIANT Y. M. WIN

SHOCK FOR H.K. LADIES

LEADERSHIP NOW THREATENED

Thanks to a brilliant achievement by the Y.M.C.A., who beat Hongkong Ladies on Saturday, St. Andrew's are now in a position to take over the leadership of the Caer Clark Cup league table.

With one match in hand they are at the present only a point in arrears to the champions. Had St. Andrew's been able to beat the Recreio on Saturday they would now be very strongly placed.

In view of the Y.M.C.A.'s victory, the C.B.A. can also be regarded as challengers for the cup, as by winning their game in hand they can come within a point of Hongkong Ladies.

The Y. M. were worthy winners, although Hongkong were deserving of a goal in the second, when they enjoyed most of the game. In the initial stages the champions were more or less outplayed, and it was fitting that Miss Sybil Dalziel should crown a fine display by netting both goals.

Saturday's Caer Clark Cup results and the present league table follow:

RESULTS.

Y.M.C.A.	2	H.K. Ladies	0
St. Andrew's	0	Recreio	0
C.B.A.	9	C.H.S.	0

LEAGUE TABLE

H.K. Ladies	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts.
St. Andrew's	7	5	1	1	22	4	11
C.B.A.	7	4	2	1	25	8	9
Y.M. Ladies	7	2	2	3	8	8	7
Recreio	7	1	3	3	4	8	6
C.H.S.	8	0	3	0	2	4	0

MAMAK LEAGUE

St. Andrew's Beat Parthian

Three goals by E. F. Fincher, all scored in the first half gave St. Andrew's Club a Mamak League win against H.M.S. Parthian yesterday, by three goals to one.

The Saints were the better team throughout, although their most marked superiority was seen in the first half, when they took a lead of three clear goals. St. Andrew's combined better, the forwards especially being more capable.

The Parthian netted their solitary goal through I. R. Jones, a surprise shot from an acute angle. But there was never any chance of the result being other than in favour of St. Andrew's, who showed a greatly improved form, right through the team.

MATCH DRAWN

RAIN ROBS M.C.C. OF VICTORY

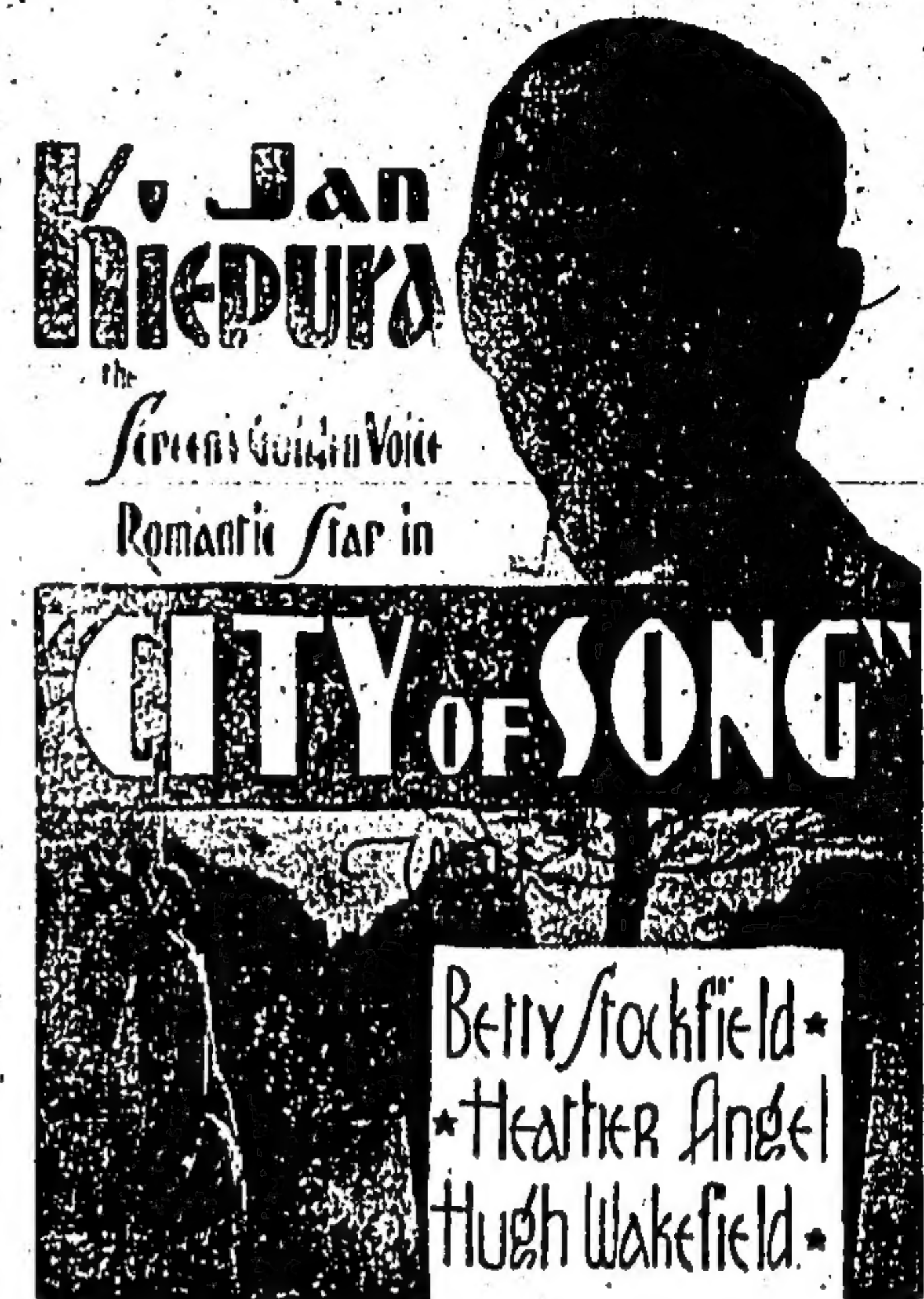
Barbados, Jan. 5. After putting up 92 for one wicket the previous day, Barbados collapsed sensationally against the M.C.C. tourists to-day and were all out for only 177. Carew was the only batsman to offer any resistance, his contribution being 68.

J. Iddon was the man responsible for the collapse of the home team. He bowled extremely well to take four wickets for only 14 runs.

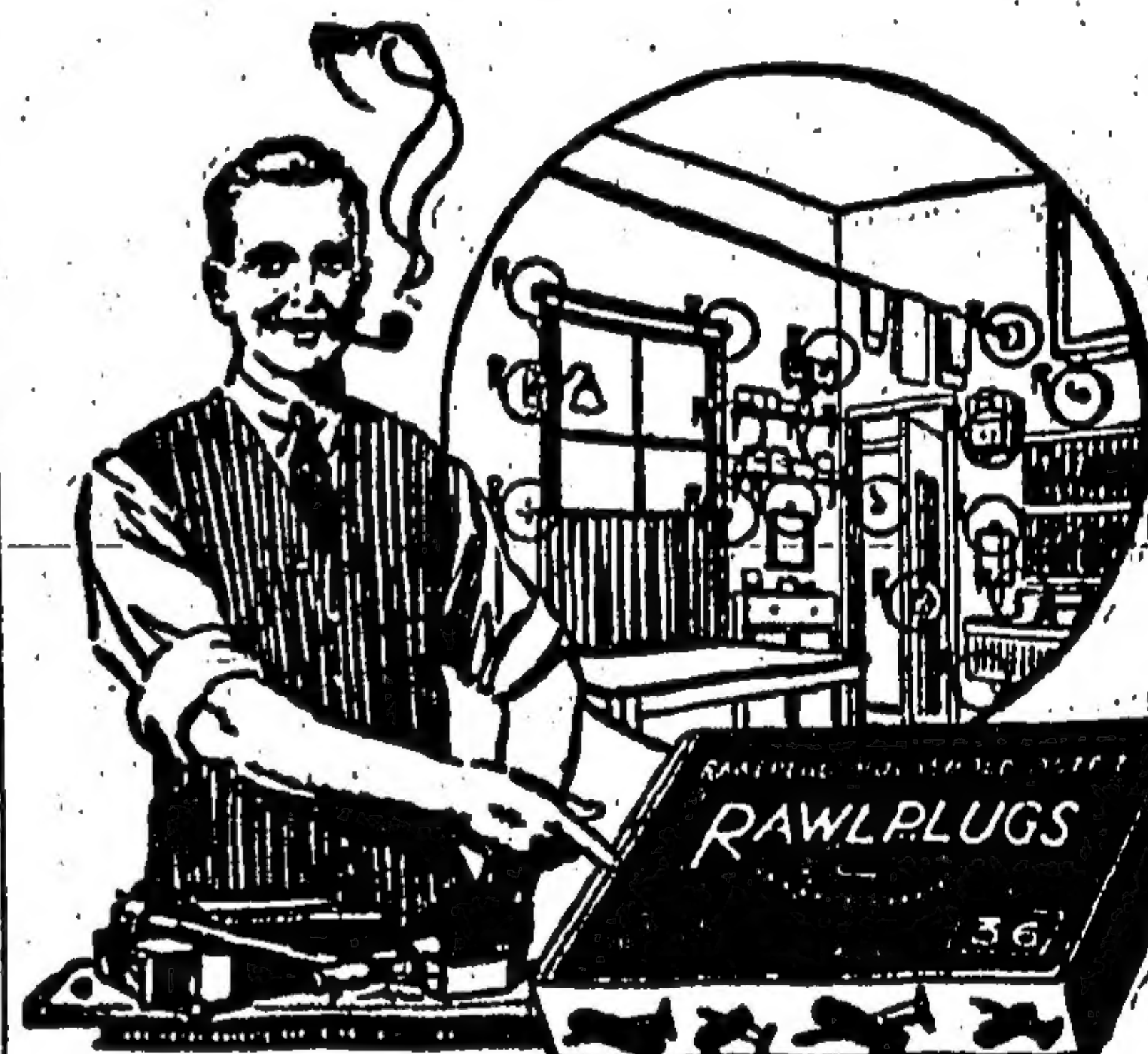
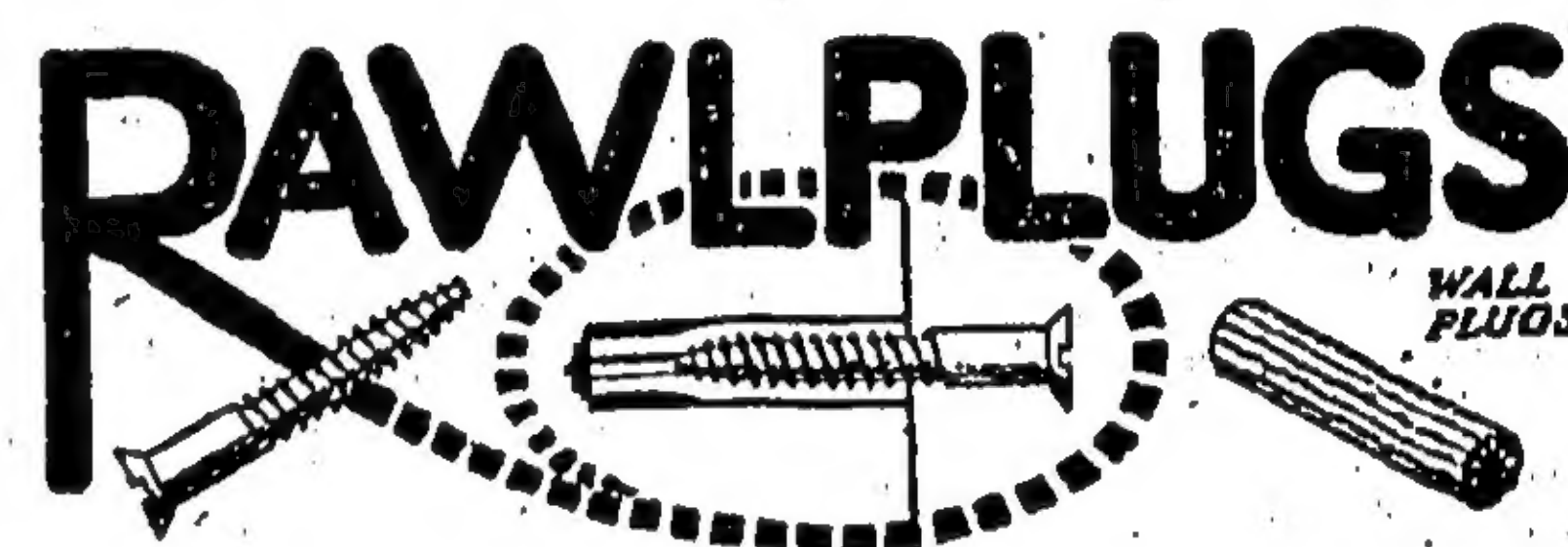
Forced to follow on, Barbados had lost one wicket for only eight runs when rain fell, the match thus ending in a draw.

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Empress of Asia	Feb. 13	Feb. 15	Feb. 17	Feb. 19	Feb. 21	Feb. 23	Mar. 2
Empress of Canada	Feb. 26	Feb. 28	Mar. 1	Mar. 3	Mar. 5	Mar. 13	Mar. 17
Empress of Russia	Mar. 2	Mar. 4	Mar. 12	Mar. 14	Mar. 16	Mar. 18	Mar. 24
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HELENA MAY CONCERT

PROF. MAKLEZOFF'S PUPILS.

On Saturday afternoon a fairly large audience listened to a concert given by about twenty of Prof. Maklezooff's pupils at the Helena May Institute. Actually, with one exception, the performers were confined to his juvenile pupils, and it would have been fairer to Prof. Maklezooff if it had been made clear that he has a number of senior pupils also, who did not appear on this occasion.

In the case of concerts given by young people, it is naturally the personal or academic interest and not primarily the musical one that holds the audience and one is more concerned in seeking for latent than finished performances. Nevertheless, some of the items were interesting musically, notably the Nocturne of Field, played by Miss Pat Crosshwaite, the rendering of which showed musical taste and feeling above the average. Her younger sister shows every sign of being equally gifted. Masters Arnold and Peter Brooksbank will also do well: they are both obviously keen.

It was a pleasure to see so many British children on the programme. Another feature was the exceptional talent shown by Prof. Maklezooff's Japanese pupils, of which there were no fewer than seven. These tiny mites had firmness of touch, good rhythm and finger dexterity that were little short of amazing in such youngsters. The most gifted were Miko Sukagawa and Kazuko Fujieda, both of whom got a warm reception after very creditable performances of works by Field, Grieg and Lavallee.

The only two Chinese artists on the programme on this occasion were the Misses Ivo and Charlotte Ivo, who were senior to the rest. The latter was heard with Prof. Maklezooff in two pieces from Arensky's Suite for Two Pianos, which showed off her technique to advantage and was enjoyable musically.

The concert ended with a movement from Mendelssohn's Piano

GRASS-CUTTERS' FIGHT

TWO MEN SENT TO HOSPITAL

As a result of a fight in the Dairy Farm Ice and Cold Storage Company's premises at Pokfulam yesterday, eleven grass-cutters appeared before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Central Magistracy this morning, charged with disorderly conduct. Ten of them, on pleading guilty, were bound over in sums of \$75 each to keep the peace for six months, while the other defendant, who denied the charge, was discharged.

Inspector Fender, prosecuting, said the fight was between two parties. One man, Ng Cheung, quarrelled with another, Chong Chin, and this led to a general fight, in which bamboo poles were used. Two of the combatants were admitted to hospital, and were discharged this morning. Most of the combatants were injured, but not seriously. The bamboo poles used were broken, and bespattered with blood.

TEACHER SHOTS KINGFISHER

TWENTY-FIVE DOLLAR FINE

A \$25 fine was imposed upon Ho Ka-kee, aged 19, a school teacher, when he appeared before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, charged with shooting a kingfisher at Diamond Hill on Sunday. Defendant on admitting the offence said: "I did not know it was a kingfisher, until I had shot it. I thought it was a snipe or a woodcock; because it was so high up in the tree, and I was shooting against the sun."

His Worship: You shot the bird while it was sitting?
Defendant: No, it was perching.
His Worship: Yes; that in itself deserves a month.

Concerto in G Minor and three pieces by Rachmaninoff played by Prof. Maklezooff himself.—ALLEGRO.

FANCY DRESS DANCE

DIOCESAN GIRLS' EVENT

The Diocesan Old Girls' Association held their annual New Year fancy dress carnival dance in the hall of the Diocesan Girls' School on Saturday night, and the function proved an unqualified success. The hall was tastefully decorated with coloured lanterns and streamers. Music was supplied by Fred and His Pals.

Dancing was interspersed with splendid numbers by Misses Helen Ho, Ellen Wittehill, Nora Wicheil, Dorothy Moss and Peggy Stringer, pupils of Miss Violet Capell. The entertainment convener, Miss E. Banker, is to be congratulated on the excellent arrangements.

Fancy dress prizes were won by Miss E. Brewer and Mr. Flores, while Mr. C. Braga and Miss D. Moss won the prize for the Spot Dance.

Among those present at the dance were the Rev. J. R. Higgs, Vicar of St. Andrew's, and Miss H. D. Sawyer, Headmistress of the School.

TWO BANISHEES RETURN

ONE GETS PRISON TERM

Wong Shui, a returned banishee, was sentenced to six months' hard labour when he appeared before Mr. Wynne-Jones in the Central Magistracy this morning, charged with returning from banishment. Defendant was banished on December 28 last for a period of five years.

Another returned banishee, Cheung Ki, banished in 1931 for two years, stated that he had come from Canton and had been treated at the Tung Wah Hospital for a little over a week. "Unfortunately, I was known to the police and I was caught," he added.

The Magistrate remanded the case for 48 hours for a report from the hospital authorities.

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Bassett's	.70	.73 1/2
Changkat Serdangs	1.10	1.15
Glenaly	2.07 1/2	2.12 1/2
Malaka Pinda	1.52 1/2	1.57 1/2
New Soudais	1.77 1/2	1.82 1/2
Teluk Ansons	1.45	1.55
Tapah	2.07 1/2	2.17 1/2
Un Malaccas	1.80	1.87 1/2

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